The New-York Times.

VOL. XV.....NO. 4619. NEW-YORK, MONDAY, JULY 16, 1866. PRICE FOUR CENTS.

THE WAR IN EUROPE.

THE FIGHTING PROBABLY OVER.

Great Battle on July 3d Near Sudowa.

Terrible and Ruinous Defeat of the Austrians.

The Prussians Take Fourteen Thousand Prisoners.

Austria Proposes an Armistice and Offers to Cede Venetia to Napoleon.

Napoleon Communicates with the Great Powers.

Probabilities of an Early Conclusion of Peace.

Graphic Account of the Campaign in Bohemia.

Details of the Storming and Capture of Gitschen.

Terrible Effects of the Prussian Needle Gun.

Austrian and Italian Accounts of the Battle of Custozza.

The steamship *America* at this port, and the *Nova Scotian* at Father Point, bring intelligence of serious reverses to the Austrians in Bohemia. Gen. BENEDEK has been compelled to fall back behind the Elbe, after suffering terrible losses.

A great battle took place at Sudowa on the 3d inst., resulting in the decisive defeat of the Austrians.

An armistice had been proposed, but the reply of Prussia and Italy had not been received. It was rumored that a Congress would shortly assemble, and that France would propose a general disarmament.

In London commercial circles peace was regarded as virtually concluded.

PROBABLE END OF THE WAR.

Terrible Austrian Defeat—Austria Sends in a Flag of Truce—She Offers to Cede Venetia to Napoleon.

The Paris *Moniteur* of the 5th makes the following announcement:

"An important event has just occurred. After having maintained the honor of his arms in Italy the Emperor of Austria, concurring in the ideas expressed in the Emperor NAPOLEON'S letter of June 11 to his Minister of Foreign Affairs, cedes Venetia to the French Emperor, and accepts his mediation for the conclusion of peace. The Emperor NAPOLEON hastened to respond to the summons, and immediately communicated with the Kings of Prussia and Italy, in order to obtain an armistice.

The Austrian Field-Marshal Von GABLING arrived at the Prussian headquarters, at Horitz, near Gitzchen, on the evening of the 4th, with a flag of truce.

The battle of July 3, near Sudowa, was a great affair. It resulted in the complete defeat of the Austrians.

The Battle of Sudowa.

LIVERPOOL, July 5—Evening.

A great battle took place on the 3d near Sudowa, resulting in the Prussians obtaining a great and complete victory. The Prussians took 14,000 prisoners. There were great losses in killed and wounded, but no estimate is given of the numbers.

The Austrians sent in a flag of truce.

Austria has agreed to cede Venetia to the Emperor NAPOLEON and accept his mediation.

NAPOLEON immediately communicated with the belligerents.

The Armistice.

LONDON, Friday, July 6.

The Prussian and Italian reply to the proposed armistice has not yet transpired. There are rumors that the Prussian reply is not favorable.

A Congress.

The *Morning Post* thinks that a Congress will shortly assemble, and that the French Government will propose a general disarmament.

Prospect of an Early Peace.

In the commercial circles of London peace is regarded as virtually concluded.

RECORD OF EVENTS UP TO JULY 3.

Prussian Dispatch.

THE RESULT OF THE THREE DAYS' FIGHTING.

A dispatch, dated Berlin, July 1, says:

The following official dispatch has been received from the headquarters of the Crown Prince of Prussia: "The result of the three days' fighting, in which the Fifth Prussian Corps has been engaged, cannot be too highly estimated.

On the 27th it was opposed by the Sixth Austrian Corps, under Gen. RAMMING. A letter was found addressed by the latter to Gen. BENEDEK, in Josephstadt, which affords complete proof that the forces under his command were thoroughly exhausted. He therein requested Gen. BENEDEK to send him two fresh brigades, in order that his troops might bivouac under their protection, and acknowledged that they would not be able to fight on the following day.

The Fifth Prussian Corps was therefore opposed on the 28th and 29th by the corps of the Archduke LEOPOLD and Gen. TESTETICS. The fighting on these two days extended over a much greater line than on the 27th. The Austrian corps under Gen. GABLENZ was completely broken up. Besides innumerable prisoners, 20 guns, five colors and two standards belonging to GABLENZ'S corps, fell into the hands of the Prussians." The Austrians have evacuated Oswiecin. The King of Prussia has left Berlin, and will arrive at Reichenberg on July 1. He was most enthusiastically cheered by the crowds in the streets, from the palace to the railway station.

THE AUSTRIAN LOSSES.

A telegram from Lauban, of July 1, says: "It is announced that the total loss of the Austrians up to the present time is 20,000 men."

PROGRESS OF THE PRUSSIAN ARMY.

An official dispatch from Reichenberg, of July 1, says: "The Prussian army in Bohemia is making victorious progress. The Fifth and Third Divisions took Gitschin by storm on the 29th ult. The Prussian loss was not inconsiderable, the enemy's position being very strong. The loss sustained by the Austrians is estimated at about 4,000 men."

JUNCTION OF THE PRUSSIAN ARMIES.

A telegram from Berlin of July 2 says:

The following official announcement has been made here:

"In consequence of the successful storming of Bilsodin, the junction of the armies under the Crown Prince and Prince FREDERICK CHARLES is looked upon as completely effected. Notwithstanding the recent severe and sanguinary fighting, the Prussian army is in excellent spirits."

THE KING OF PRUSSIA AT GITSCHIN.

The following official telegram has been received from the Prussian headquarters to-day, July 2: "The King of Prussia arrived at Gitschin, where he was received by Prince FREDERICK CHARLES. The streets everywhere showed the traces of the obstinate engagement which had been continued within the town. The enemy fled in disorder under cover of night. The conduct of the Prussian troops was excellent. A portion of the Corps of the Guard repeatedly repulsed the charge of the Austrian cavalry without forming square. The headquarters of Prince CHARLES have been removed beyond Gitschin. The junction of the First and Second Army Corps has been completely effected. Austrian prisoners are being continually brought in, and their numbers already exceeds 5,000. The Austrian Hanover, Ramining, and Martine regiments are almost wholly annihilated, and the Eighteenth Jager battalion destroyed to the last man."

THE RETREAT OF BENEDEK.

The Wiener *Abendpost* says: "Authentic intelligence received here from headquarters of the army of the North, states that Marshal BENEDEK had found it necessary, from strategical reasons, to take up a position between Koniggratz and Josephstadt. No further attack has been made on this position, nor has there been any fresh fighting, a proof that the Prussian losses in the late battles must also have been considerable, and that their troops are much exhausted. This has been principally caused by the Austrian artillery. The First Austrian Army Corps and the Saxon army have joined the chief Austrian army and are ready for action. The best possible spirit and the most undaunted courage prevail in the army. Important events are expected within the next few days."

MOVEMENTS OF MARSHAL BENEDEK.

BERLIN, Tuesday, July 8.

Authentic intelligence from Bohemia states that Field-Marshal BENEDEK has found himself compelled, in consequence of the dissolution of the corps of Gen. VON GABLENZ and the retreat of the Austrian and Saxon troops, to abandon the operations that he had commenced near Gitschin, and to concentrate in a more distant position.

TRAUTENAU, Tuesday, July 3.

The Austrian army, which has been compelled by the junction of the two Prussian army corps to concentrate itself between the fortresses of Josephstadt and Koniggratz, appears to intend remaining on the defensive in that position. The Duke of Coburg has arrived at Gitschin.

PARIS, Tuesday, July 3.

The *Moniteur du Soir* says: "Letters received here speak of the animosity of the Bohemian population against the Prussians, and relate several instances in which this feeling was displayed at Munchengratz, Turnau, and Nachod."

MARSHAL BENEDEK'S REPORT.

The following is Marshal BENEDEK'S second report of the battle of the 27th:

To Count von Crenneville, First Aide-de-Camp to His Majesty the Emperor:

HEADQUARTERS, JOSEPHSTADT, June 28.

To complete my telegraphic report made on the evening of the 27th respecting the combats at Podoll and Skalitz, I have the honor to inform your excellency of the events which took place at Trautenau on the 27th. The report of the Tenth Corps d'Armée only reached me at 1:30 in the morning. At 6 in the morning of the 27th the brigade of Col. MONDEL, forming the advanced guard of the army which was falling on the side of Schurz, made an attack upon Trautenau, which was in possession of the enemy. The fight was sharp, and by degrees all the troops of our *corps d'armée* were engaged in it. According to the prisoners, the enemy brought successively into action three brigades and half the *corps d'armée* to hold his position. After a fierce and bloody battle Trautenau was in our possession at 8:45, though at 9 o'clock, when the report was sent to me, there was still some slight firing going on. The Tenth Corps d' Armée established its position at Trautenau, but Field-Marshal-Lieutenant Von GABLENZ, having been confidentially informed that the enemy had detached a strong brigade, about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, towards Eipel to threaten his flank and rear, left a single brigade at Trautenau, and, with a view of meeting the enemy on that side, occupied, with the remainder of his troops, the heights situated directly to the south of Trautenau, which the enemy did not dare to attack.

Austrian Dispatches.

THE REFULSE OF THE FIRST AUSTRIAN ARMY CORPS.

A telegram from Vienna, of July 1, says: "The First Austrian Army Corps, and the Saxon Corps, were repulsed yesterday by the Prussians. In consequence of this repulse the Austrian army fell back in the direction of Koniggratz."

THE BATTLE NEAR TURNAU.

A dispatch from Prague, June 30, says: "Engagements took place yesterday at Kost, near Turnau, and at Chevalowes, between Kalitz and Koniginhof, which resulted favorably to the Austrians. Bohennisk and Kamnitz have been evacuated by the Prussians. The latter were also defeated while flying from Flicin, by the combined Austrian and Saxon forces. They left their dead and wounded on the field."

AUSTRIAN CAVALRY ACROSS THE MINCIO.

A telegram from Pescheria, of July 1, says: "The Austrian cavalry have made a reconnoisance from Goito as far as Volta. They drove back the enemy's posts and took several prisoners. Two Austrian gunboats have cannonaded the encampment of volunteers on the shores of Lake Garda. The volunteers dispersed after sustaining considerable loss.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE ITALIAN ARMY, June 30.

The enemy's patrol's make frequent reconnoissances on the right bank of the Mincio. They are watched by our outposts and patrols. Four squadrons of Austrian Hussars had advanced on Italian territory to the right of the Mincio, but they were encountered by the Third Squadron of the Foggia Lancers and compelled to retreat to Goita and Rivatta. The Austrians lost several killed.

Italian Dispatches.

SPIRIT OF THE ITALIAN TROOPS.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE ITALIAN ARMY, TORRE MALAMBERTI, July 1.

The Italian and Austrian cavalry continue to make reconnoissances. The latest brisk engagement has taken place on yesterday's encounter, in which the Foggia Lancers made forty Austrian prisoners.

The troops are in excellent health and spirits. The divisions which suffered most during the battle of Custozza are in no way dispirited, and express their eagerness to be again placed at the front in the next battle with the Austrians.

THE AUSTRIANS IN THE VAL CAMONICA.

A telegram from Berne of June 30 says: "The Austrians have forced their way through the Tenale Pass into the Val Camonica."

The Bavarian Army.

A dispatch from Meinengen says: "The report of the arrival of the Fourth Bavarian Infantry Division, under Gen. HABTMANN, in this town, is unfounded."

THE CAMPAIGN IN BOHEMIA.

Particulars of the Prussian Advance—Splendid Morale of the Army—The Austrians Taken Completely by Surprise—Severe Fighting at Turnau—Deadly Effect of the Prussian Needle Gun.

Military Correspondence of the London Times.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE FIRST ARMY, REICHENBERG, Sunday, June 24, 1866.

Last evening intelligence came to the headquarters of the First Army at Grafenstein which told that at the same time as Prince FREDERICK CHARLES of Prussia was crossing the Bohemian frontier of Austria with his army the Austrians were preparing across the Silesian frontier of Prussia, and had yesterday forenoon pushed three columns into the country of Glatz. These columns advanced by three roads. That on the right by Alstadt on Wilhelmsthal; that of the centre by Grulich on Mittelwalde; that of the left by Braunau on Wunschelburg. The commander of the first Prussian army had calculated upon the possibility of an invasion of Silesia by the Austrians, where the second army is ready to meet them, and the news that they were in the Glatz district availed nothing to shake his resolve of pitching into Bohemia. On the contrary, it seemed to accelerate his motions, for he had intended to halt to-day in the position of Grafenstein, but as soon as he heard of the Austrian advance, aides-de-camp were dispatched to the different divisions with orders for them to march early this morning.

It rained steadily all last night, and the morning brought with it no improvement in the weather, but the troops were in high spirits and appeared to care nothing for the wet. The army marched by three roads; the left column by the way of Eisniedel on Reichenberg; the centre by Kratzkau on the same town, while Gen. VON BITTERFELD came from the mountains which lie between this and Dresden, and moved upon Gabel. Some of the regiments halted here, and are billeted in the town for the night; others were pushed through and took up positions in front. Many battalions have to bivouac this evening; but, although the ground is moist and damp from the incessant rain, the weather is warm, and the troops will not take much harm from their first night in the open air. The army is now drawn together and concentrated round this town; for General VON BITTERFELD at Gabel, is only twelve miles to the left. Last night the Prussian advanced posts near Kratzkau could see the lights of the Austrian bivouac fires, and this morning the Magdeburg Hussars, who cleared the way for the army, had a skirmish with some of RADETZKY'S Austrian Hussars. Shots were exchanged, two of the Prussians were wounded, and five of the Austrians are reported wounded, with two killed. A combat was expected at Reichenberg. Three Austrian cavalry regiments, LICHTENSTEIN'S Hussars, RADETZKY'S Hussars, and the Hussars of the Regiment of Hesse Cassel, were known to be in front of the Prussian advance, and it was anticipated that in the fine strategical position of Reichenberg the Austrians might stand to fight; for this town covers the junctions of roads which lead over the mountains by Gabel, Grottau, Friedland and from Hirschberg. But the Austrian cavalry retired through the town, and it was occupied about 10 o'clock by the Prussian advanced guard, and Prince FREDERICK CHARLES is now on the south side of the mountains, and commands the issues of the passes.

When Prince FREDERICK CHARLES reached the market-place of Reichenberg, he halted to await the arrival of the troops who had marched by the Friedland road. The town looked dull, for as it was Sunday the shops were all shut, and at first the Bohemians seemed inclined to remain in their houses; but the bands of the marching regiments roused their curiosity, and they soon collected and lined the streets in dense crowds to see the troops go by. The soldiers who had arrived early and been dismissed from their ranks joined in the crowd, and a common language soon made them great friends with the townpeople. Many tales are told of the dreadful devastation to which a country is subjected by the plunderers of an invading army. So far as the Prussian army has yet advanced into Bohemia the soldiers have treated the Austrians with the greatest kindness; as in the British service, everything that a soldier wishes to buy must be scrupulously paid for, and there seems to be no desire among the men that it should be otherwise; in fact, the troops were much more plundered than plunderers, for the cigar merchants and public-housekeepers are driving a most prosperous trade, and take very good care that they themselves do not suffer, for the soldiers are unaccustomed to Austrian currency, and have to pay in an equivalent of Prussian coin.

Reichenberg was in the hands of the Austrians this morning, and was duly occupied by the Prussians about 10 o'clock. Since that time nearly the whole army, attended by artillery and wagons, has marched through the narrow winding streets of a town which, to these artificial disadvantages for ire locomotion, adds the natural one of being built upon a steep hil; still there has been no confusion in the marching columns, and, although the troops had to move by different streets, and were sometimes obliged to march in and out of the town by country lanes and narrow paths, no column took a false direction or made an unnecessary halt; yet the Quartermaster-General von STUHTNAHL had only a few minutes allowed him in which he could arrange his plans.

The headquarters have been established in the Schloss, or Castle of Reichenberg, another of the properties of Count CLAM GALLAS, who has thus twice been the involuntary host of Prince FREDERICK CHARLES. Here a curious scene is afforded; the castle stands on a hill, overlooks the picturesque town, and commands a beautiful view of the mountains and plains beyond it. The side of this hill below the castle is covered with carefully tended turf and luxuriant shrubberies. The place looks only fit to be the quiet home of a country gentleman, but up and down its graveled avenue chargers are being led ready saddled for the aid-de-camps, who are waiting to carry out the evening orders; military train horses are being led to water, soldiers, in their undress, are hurrying about, mounted dragoons are in attendance as orderlies, and near the door of the castle stands the horse of the officer of Uhlans, who has brought in the last report from the outposts.

Two excellent institutions of the Prussian army have been quickly established and put in working order at every halting-place, they are the Field Telegraph and the Field Post-office. As soon as it is determined where headquarters are to be fixed for the night, the Field Telegraph division start off to the nearest permanent telegraph station where the line can be fixed in working order; from this starting point they carry a single line along the side of the shortest road to the headquarter house, and generally by the time the chief of the staff arrives at his quarters he finds his telegraph ready, by which he can get information or send his orders. The Field Post-office, to which I am indebted for being able to send my correspondence to you since we crossed the frontier, is established also at headquarters, but has branch offices at the headquarters of each *corps d'armée*; it carries the private letters of soldiers and officers, as well as official dispatches, and sends out a mail nearly daily. This is a greater convenience than the field telegraph, but the latter is one of the neatest applications of modern science to the art of war which it is possible to conceive. The whole of its apparatus is carried in two light wagons; one contains the batteries and needles, and is used as a small room in which the telegraphist works; the second wagon carries the poles and wires, with the implements for putting them up. The wire is not the hot coated revolving of sea, which are fitted in the wagon, so that the wire can be passed as the wagon goes along, or the disc can be transferred to a stretcher carried between two men, so that it may be laid off the road in places where it is desirable to cut off corners. The detachment who lay the lines are all instructed in repairing damage done to the permanent wires. When it is remembered that yesterday morning the Austrians were close up to the frontier, and that at midday the Castle of Grafenstein, five miles from the nearest permanent station, was in direct telegraphic communication with Berlin, some idea can be formed of the advantages which this apparatus gives to an army in the field.

The Prussian army restores the railways as it goes. This afternoon railway communication was reopened for military purposes from this place to Berlin, so that with the telegraph for information, and the railway for rapid movements, this army may be concentrated on any point of the railway communication with an extraordinary rapidity.

SICHROW, Tuesday, June 26.

The road from Reichenberg to Turnau crosses a range of hills which separates the valley of the Upper Neisse from the country beyond, and drops down from this range by some sharp zigzags to the valley in which lies the village of Liebenau. This village builds on the bank of a stream which forms a defile through a second range of hills lying between Liebenau and Turnau. This rivulet, in the part of its course above the village of Liebenau, runs at right angles to the defile, and forms a valley between the two hills which lie north of Liebenau towards Reichenberg, and those which lie to the south towards Turnau. The only way from Liebenau to Turnau passes through the defile formed by the stream which runs through the village; but the road turns to the left and ascends the southern range, passing near the top between a steep cutting through rocks. This cutting is about 100 yards in length, and here the road is only about 12 feet wide. On the hills are on their side covered with thick plantations of fir trees; but when the traveler leaving Liebenau has by the road gained the summit of the range which lies south of the village he finds before him a wide plateau extending for about two miles in the direction of Turnau. This plateau was this morning covered with high-standing crops of wheat and barley, already whitening for the harvest. The road runs through the cornfields, and at the end of the plateau drops down by a gentle slope into the valley of the Iser. From the brow of this slope Turnau can be seen lying in the river toward the left from the Schloss of Sichrow standing on the very edge of the Liebenau defile is directly on the right, and the view to the front is bounded by the fir-clad and fantastically rocky hills which form the Southern boundary of the Valley of the Iser, while on the left the Church of Gentschowitz stands raised on a knoll above the general plain, and looking down upon the orchards and cottage of the little hamlet which clusters round its foot. Between the bottom of the slope which falls from this flat plain into the valley of the Iser and about half way between the foot of the hill and the river itself there runs a low range of hills having an elevation considerably inferior to that of the plateau. On this lower range, immediately surrounded by orchards, but in the midst of a wide stretching corn land, lies the Village of Dauby. Last night the Prussian advanced posts were pushed forward to the tops of the range of the hills which bound the valley of Liebenau on the south. This morning Gen. von HORNE, who with the Eighth Division held the outposts, had advanced early to occupy Liebenau. As his advanced guard entered the village, the Austrian rear-guard were discovered tearing up the pavement, in order to form a barricade across the narrow street through which the high road runs. On the approach of the advanced guard they retired to the hill over which the road to Turnau passes south of the village. Here the Austrians took up positions; their artillery, placed on the brow of the hill, looked down upon the village of Liebenau, which HORNE had just occupied, and their cavalry covered the guns. But they were not in force. They had no infantry, and their whole strength appeared to be only four regiments of cavalry, with two batteries of horse artillery. HORNE'S division passed through the village, and began to ascend the hill, while Gen. von HAUSEN came down to Liebenau with the cavalry, and the field artillery took up a position on the hills which bound the Liebenau on the north. Thus the guns of the Austrians were on the southern, those of the Prussians on the northern range which form the valley of Liebenau; the valley between them is about 600 yards wide, and there seemed to be an opportunity for a smart combat, but in Liebenau itself between the opposed batteries, were the wings of HORNE'S divisions, and columns already issuing from the village, making their way along both the railway and the *chaussée*, while the skirmishers were getting among the short spruce fir that clothe the hill beside the road.

A little before 9 o'clock Prince FREDERICK CHARLES and his staff came upon the hill where the artillery was placed. It was almost exactly 9 o'clock when a flash of fire, with a heavy puff of white smoke on the Austrian hill, showed that their artillery had opened, and a rifle-shell came whistling over the heads of HORNE'S division. The Prussian artillery answered, and for a few minutes the hills echoed with the noise of their rapid discharges; while the smoke, drifting but slowly on the lazy breeze, hid from sight the opposite guns, though the quick reports and the whistling of the shells told that they were not idle. But the Prussian guns were too numerous, HORNE'S division was pushing up the hill, and the Austrian artillery had to retire. Then the Prussian cavalry pushed forward by the road, and in a short time eight fine cavalry regiments were formed on the northern edge of the plateau. The Thuringian Uhlans, the Uhlans of the Prince of Hohenlohe, and the dragoons of the Prince of Mecklenburg were extended to the left, while the Brandenburg Hussars of Ziethen, conspicuous by their red uniform, were nearer the road. On the right of the cavalry was the horse artillery, and Prince FREDERICK CHARLES, himself a cavalry officer, was in the front.

The retreat of the Austrians could be traced by the broad paths trampled down in the corn, and every now and then they halted, their artillery came into action, and two or three rounds were fired at the forming lines. When Prince FREDERICK CHARLES had completed his dispositions he ordered the advance and the troops pressed forward. The cavalry and artillery moved on the plateau, while HORNE'S infantry, on the right, made for the Schloss of Sichron and the woods around it. The cavalry pushed on quickly, and the guns moved well with it, but every now and then halted and came into action. The Austrians, inferior in numbers and already retiring, could not hope to stand against the force thus displayed, and they drew quickly over the plateau, making for the hills of Daubs. Three regiments of cavalry were launched after them and went dashing through the corn, but did not reach the retiring troops before the latter had quitted the plateau, and then the woods and broken ground on the side of the slopes impeded their progress. As soon as the Austrians gained the Dauba hills their artillery opened and poured shells briskly into the advancing lines, but the gliding motion of the advancing troops and the undulating ground deceived their aim, for only about twenty casualties occurred. When the Prussian gained the southern brow of the plateau, they opened on the Austrain batteries; a smart cannonade ensued, but the Austrians were ultimately silenced. Yet they did well, for they made good their retreat; but had not the Prussian horse been detained by having to pass through the narrow street of Liebenau, the field artillery which to-day fired into the Prussian ranks would probably have gone as a trophy to Berlin.

It is evident that the Austrian commander had not calculated on the rapid advance of Gen. von Horne. His dispositions for the defence of the Liebenau position were incomplete; the street of Liebenau was not rendered impracticable, for the workmen were disturbed by the Prussian advance guard, and in the cutting which the road leading from the village passes through at the top of the hill leading on the plateau, although the trees which stood by the wayside had been cut down, they were not formed into abattis, nor was the cutting blocked by wagons or any barricade. The Austrians retreated across the Iser and broke the bridges; but the Prussians after the combat occupied Turnau with two divisions, while the main body of the army bivouacked on the plateau, and one division occupied Gablonz, which lies five miles to the northeast.

The plateau that looks down on Liebenau has been sadly changed in the course of the day. The corn is trampled down by the feet of horses and the wheels of artillery; dead horses are lying dotted here and there over the plain, while large holes in the ground show where shells have struck and burst. But these marks are not frequent, for the Austrian shells often penetrated into the earth without bursting, and several have been dug out by the soldiers this afternoon; nor was the practice of the artillery good. The Ziethen Hussars, whose red uniforms drew their fire, were at one time exposed to a heavy cannonade, but though above fifty shells struck the ground round them, not one fell among their ranks, nor at that time had they a man touched.

The result of to-day's combat is not overvalued by the Prussian army; the officers on this side do not despise their enemy, and they fully recognize the fact that it was to superior numbers that the Austrians yielded to-day. They have great confidence in their chief, and in the needle gun and their rifled cannon, but they have no vain assurance. They know that the Austrian army is a good one, and they will omit nothing that their skill in science can suggest to let their troops meet it on the best of terms.

HEADQUARTERS FIRST PRUSSIAN ARMY, SCHLOSS OF SICHROW, June 27.

The railway and high road which lead down the valley of the Iser from Turnau to Münchengrätz run for a distance of about five miles from the former town on the north side of the river, but on reaching the village of Podoll cross to the south bank by two bridges, which are about two hundred yards distant from each other, that of the railway being on the right, and that by which the road crosses on the left of a person looking toward Münchengrätz. The railway bridge is constructed of iron; that which carries the road across the stream is made of wood, and lies on a level with the causeway, which is raised on an embankment about ten feet above the flat meadows lying alongside it. The Iser is at Podoll near upon one hundred yards wide, and runs with a deep but fast stream between steep banks, which only rise about four feet above the level of the water. By the side of the road and on the banks of the stream grow large willow trees, planted at equal distances from each other, and about ten yards apart. Three roads lead from the plateau of Sichrow to the high road that runs down the valley of the Iser. That on the east a country road which leaves the plateau near the Schloss and Sichrow, and joins the highway near the village of Swierzin, almost an equal distance between Turnau and Podoll; in the centre the *chaussée* from Libenau sunkies into the high-road half-way between Swierzin and Turnau, and the road from Gentschowitz on the west joins it close to this town.

Yesterday evening Prince FREDERICK CHARLES threw a light pontoon bridge over the river a little below the broken bridge of Turnau, and occupied the town with a small force without opposition. HORNE'S division marched at the same time by the country road on the east, occupied the village of Swierzin, and pushed its advanced guard toward Podoll. The troops directed on this point consisted of two companies of the fourth Jäger battalion, the second rifle, fusileer battalions of the thirty-first regiment, and one battalion of the Seventy-first. The Jägers, who were leading, got to within three-quarters of a mile of Podol. Bridge before they came into collision with Austrian out-posts, but here they found the enemy, and a sharp action ensued, for the Austrians had six battalions in the village, and meant to hold the place and cover the passage of the river.

It was about 8 o'clock, and the dusk of the evening was rapidly closing in, when the Jägers first felt their enemy. On the right hand side of the road, about half a mile before the bridge, stands the first house of the village. It is a large square farmhouse, with windows without glass, but with heavy gratings. The Austrians had occupied it in force, and their outlying pickets, as they retired before the advancing Prussians, formed line across the road beside it. As soon as the Jägers came within sight the garrison of the farm-house and the formed-up pickets opened a bitter fire upon them. From the paned windows and from the line of soldiers in the road there came one rapid volley, which told severely on the Prussian riflemen, but these went quickly to work and had fired about three times before the Austrians, armed only with muzzle-loading rifles, were able to reply. Then a noise like a musketry rose high, occasionally swelling into a heavy roar, but sometimes falling off so that the ear could distinguish the separate reports. But this did not last. Major von HAGEN, commanding the Second Battalion of the Thirty-first, which was following the Jägers, on the first sound of the firing had put his troops into double-quick time, and was soon up to reinforce the riflemen. It was now nearly dark, and the flashes of the rifles, the reports of the shots, and the shouts of the combatants were almost the only indications of the positions of the troops; yet it could be seen that the rapid fire of the needle-gun was telling on the Austrian line in the road, and the advancing cheers of the Prussians showed that they were gaining ground. Then while the exchange of shots was still proceeding rapidly between the windowgratings of the farm-house and the Prussian firing parties, no sad was extended into a cornfield on the right of the highway, there was a sudden pause in the firing on the road, for the Jägers, supported by the Thirty-first, had made a dash and were bearing the Austrians back beyond the farm-house to where the cottages of the village closed on each side of the road. The Austrian officers had hastily thrown some hewn down willow trees as a barricade across the way.

Then the tumult of the fight increased. Darkness had completely closed in, and the moon had not yet risen; the Prussians pressed up to the barricade, the Austrians stoutly stood their ground behind it, and, three paces distant, assailants and defenders poured their fire into each other's breasts. Little could be seen, though the flashes of the discharges cast a fitful light over the surging masses; but in the pauses of the firing the voices of the officers were heard encouraging their men, and half-stifled shrieks or gurgling cries told that the bullets were truly aimed. This was too severe to endure. The Prussians firing much more quickly, and in the narrow street, where neither side could show their whole strength, not feeling the inferiority of numbers, succeeded in tearing away the barricade, and slowly pressed their adversaries back along the village street. Yet the Austrians fought bravely, and their plans for the defence of the houses had been skillfully though hastily made; from every window muskets flashed out fire, and sent bullets into the thick ranks of the advancing Prussians, while on each balcony, behind a wooden barricade, Jägers crouched to fire with deadly aim; *but in the street the soldiers, huddled together and encumbered with clumsy ramrods, were unable to load with ease, and could return no adequate fire to that of the Prussians, while these, from the advantage of a better arm, poured their quick volleys into an almost defenceless crowd.*

As the battle in the street was pushed inch by inch towards the Iser, the Austrians, in every house which the foremost ranks of the Prussians passed, were cut off from their retreat, and were sooner or later made prisoners, for the houses of the village do not join on to each other, but are detached at spaces of a few yards, and there is no communication from one house to the other except by the open street. The whole of the Prussian force was now up, and extending between the houses which the first combatants had passed by, cut off the escape of their garrisons, and exchanged shots with the defenders.

With shrieks and shouts, amid the crashing of broken windows, the heavy sounds of falling beams, and the perpetual rattle of the firearms, the battle was heavily pressed down to the narrow street, and about 11:30 the moon came up clear and full to show the Austrian rearmost ranks turning viciously to bay as the Prussians from the bridge. The moonlight, reflected in the stream, told the assailants that they were near the object of their labor, and showed the Austrians that now or never the enemy must be hurled back. Both sides threw out skirmishers along the river bank, and the moon gave them light to direct their aim across the stream; while on the first plank of the bridge the Austrians turned to bay, and the Prussians pausing some short paces from them, the combatants gazed at each other for a few moments. Then they began a fiercer fight than ever. The discharges were more frequent, and in the narrower way the bullets told with more severe effect. Herr von DRYGALSKI, leading the Fusileer battalion of the Thirty-first, a Lieutenant-Colonel of only two days' standing, went down with two bullets in his forehead, and a Captain at his side was shot in both legs; many men fell, and the gray horse of a Prussian field-officer, with a ball in his heart, fell heavily against the wall, kicking amid the ranks, but he was soon quieted forever, and at that moment men regarded but little such wounds as could be inflicted by an iron-shod hoof, even in the agonies of death. The Austrians stood gallantly, and made an attempt to set fire to the bridge, but the difference of their armament again told upon them here, and it is said that, galled by their hard fortune, they charged with the bayonet, but that the Prussians also took kindly to the steel and this charge caused no change in the fortune of the fight. Certain it is that the defenders were ultimately obliged to retire across the bridge.

While this combat was proceeding slowly along the street another fight was carried on upon the railway almost with an equal progress, and with an almost similar result. A party of the Austrians fell back from the point where shots were first exchanged, and, where the railway crosses the road, along the line. They were pushed by some Prussian detachments, but neither side was here in strong force, and the principal fighting was done upon the road; but here, too, the needle-gun showed its advantage over the old-fashioned weapons of the Austrians, for the latter fell in the proportion of six to one Prussian. The railway bridge was not broken, but the lines were torn up by the retiring troops, and the line is not now passable by trains. The Prussians pushed over both bridges after the retreating Austrians; the latter threw a strong detachment into a large unfinished house, which stands by the *chaussée* about a quarter of a mile beyond the bridge, and again made a stand, but not of long duration; they had lost many killed, wounded and prisoners; many of their officers were dead or taken; but they stood till they could gather in all the stragglers who had escaped from the houses of the village, and, harassed by the pursuing Prussians, drew off sullenly by the main road to Münchengrätz. Thus terminated a contest, which, fought upon both sides with the greatest vigor and determination, yet resulted in a clear victory for the Prussians, for when the last dropping shots ceased, about 4 o'clock this morning, there were no Austrian soldiers within three miles of Podoll bridge, except the wounded and the taken. There was no artillery engaged on either side; it was purely an infantry action, and the Prussians derived in it great advantage from the superiority of their arms over that of their opponents, not only in the rapidity, but in the direction of their fire, for a man with an arm on the nipple of which he has to place a cap naturally raises the muzzle in the air, and in the hurry and excitement of action often forgets to lower it, and only sends his bullet over the heads of the opposite ranks, while the soldier armed with a breech-loading musket keeps his muzzle down, and if in haste he fires it off without raising the butt to his shoulder, his shot still takes effect, though often low, and a proof of this is that very many of the Austrian prisoners are wounded in the legs.

The road to Podoll was this morning crowded with hospital wagons and ambulance cars bringing in the wounded; every cottage in the way was converted into a temporary hospital, and the little village of Swierzin was entirely filled with stricken men. The sick-bearers, one of the most useful corps which any army possesses, were at work from the very beginning of the action. As the combatants passed on, these noble-minded men, regardless of the bullets and careless of personal danger, removed with equal hand both friend and enemy who were left writhing on the road, and carried them carefully to the rear, where the medical officers seemed to make no distinction in their care for both Austrian and Prussian. Not only was it those whose special duty is the care of the wounded who alone were engaged in this humane task, but those who had suffered in the combat; soldiers not on duty might be seen carrying water for prisoners of both sides alike, and gladly affording any comfort which it was in their power to give to those who overnight had been firing against their own hearts! Nor is this wonderful, for after the flash of the battle is over, and the din of the musketry has died away, the men of this army cannot forget that one common language links them to their adversaries, and that, after all, it is probably German blood which, flowing from an Austrian, trickles over the white livery of the House of Hapsburg.

In the village the utmost disorder gave evidence of the severity of the contest. Austrian knapsacks, shakos, clothes, and arms were scattered about in wild confusion. Dead horses lay in the ditches by the roadside. White coats and cloaks, which had been thrown off in the hurry of the fight, lay scattered along the road; the trees which had formed the Austrian line were still standing in the street, and held many a bullet. The cottages had been ransacked of their furniture, and their beams and roof-trees had been torn down to form defences for the doors and windows; while along the street and upon the banks of the river lay objects which in the distance looked like bundles of old uniform, but which on nearer approach are seen to be the bodies of slain soldiers. Sometimes they lie in groups of twos or threes, twisted together as if they had gripped one another in their mortal agony, and sometimes single figures lie on their backs, staring with livid countenance and half-closed hazy eyes straight up against the morning sky. The dark-blue uniform with red facings of Prussia and the white with light-blue of Austria lie side by side, but the numbers of the latter much preponderate, and on one part of the railway 3 Prussian corpses opposite 19 Austrian form a grisly trophy of the superiority of the needle-gun.

Close on five hundred unwounded Austrian prisoners have this morning been marched up to Headquarters, and the Austrian loss in killed and wounded is very considerable. The Prussians have lost two officers dead, and seven or eight wounded. The medical officers have officially reported that the proportion of wounded Austrians to wounded Prussians is as five to one. Thus has the needle-gun told both on the battle field, and in the hospital.

To-day Head-quarters have halted here. There has been no skirmishing; the Austrians appear to be in full retreat, for while I write dense smoke curling up from beyond some fir woods beside the Iser, tells that the bridge of Mohelnitz, about five miles below Podoll, which they have set on fire to obstruct pursuit, is burning steadily.

The Terrible Fighting in Bohemia—Particulars of the Battles at Nachod, at Trautenau and at Munchengratz—The King of Prussia at the Front.

Correspondence of the London Times.

On the 27th of June one army corps of the Crown Prince—the Fifth, or Posen Corps, commanded by Gen. von STEINMETZ—fell in with the Austrians at Nachod, on the Silesian frontier, twenty-five miles west of Glatz. Lake some others which followed in its wake, this corps had entered Bohemia both by way of Braunau and Reinerz, with orders to move on to the fortress of Josephstadt by the famous pass of Nachod. The losses in this first encounter were not inconsiderable on either side, but the Prussians succeeded in taking some guns. At the close of the day the Prussians, as well as the Austrians, maintained their previous positions, a portion only of the latter retiring to Josephstadt, being replaced by fresh troops. On the day following Gen. STEINMETZ ordered a second attack. Fortunately, he had been reinforced during the night by a division of the first or East Prussian Corps, being this time confronted by the Austrian corps of the full complement of 60,000 men. The battle lasted several hours, terminating with the retreat of the Austrians and the occupation by the Prussians of Skalitz, just next station on the road to Josephstadt. About 3,000 Austrians were taken prisoners, and nearly as many lay dead or wounded on the battlefield. On each side some ninety guns had been at work. The Austrian cavalry was repeatedly routed by the Prussian Lancers, losing all their standards, and eventually abandoning the field to the victor. As to the Prussian infantry, it relied mainly upon the rapidity of its fire, the three ranks discharging at once, the first kneeling down; the Austrians, on the other hand, with the impatient temper of Sclavonian races, and wishing to make up for the inferiority of their gun, had recourse to bayonet charges. *But long before they could attain the Prussian ranks their number, under the volleys from the needle gun, was so thinned as to cause the remnant to turn about and fall to the rear.* With true Austrian perseverance they came on again and again. *The result was terribly identical in each case. In one instance only did they succeed in crossing arms with the unconquerable enemy.* One Prussian battalion fought against NAPOLEON in 1813, earthworks are being thrown up, seemingly intended to protect a camp. The island of Wilhelmsburg,

HOT WEATHER IN THE WOODS.

A SUMMER LETTER.

In the Woods—A Paradise of the Fly-Fisher — Fishing Experiences and Gossip.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

IN THE WOODS, July —, 1866.

Why fix the date, my dear Editor, when the days of this torrid month lose distinction by fusion, and should be counted by calenture rather than calendar? Or why give you any place but that large suggestion of breezes and cafiqe? Enough to say that I write from a paradise of the fly-fisher—from one of those table lands above the reach of railroads, of which there are several yet unprofaned within the imperial limits of our State, from whose flanks the streams run three several ways to join as many great rivers, springing secret and cold among forests whose skirts only the lumberman and the tanner have lifted. Five days from a mail, and twenty miles from a tavern, what hourly irritations we evade, and what caresses from nature in her shyest nooks we court and win! Are we Americans quite conscious of the charm which our civilization gains from its close neighborhood to wildness?

As the temperate zone is the beauty-giving cestus of the earth, so midway within its boundaries the narrower belt of the trout zone, reaching from northern pine to southern magnolia, embraces its rarest variety of climate, vegetation and scenery. And the clue to these mazes of loveliness is held by him who will wander a Summer's day with the trout brook, from its cradle of dripping moss down along the shadowing rocks, under miles of forest canopy, past cultured meadows, till the gnarr of sawmills and the roar of weirs warn him that it is ceasing to be free, and learning to be useful. We are richer in the "brown sport" of these woodland pleasures than our children will be in the dollars they will coin by degrading all this water beauty into water power, unveiling the leaf-clad bosoms of the hills, scarring the green glens with sunlight, and draining the crystal basins. Let them deflower nature; they cannot cheat us yet of her virgin kisses.

Come with me for such a Summer's day—that is, if you are deft of wrist, and will, "with skill, nice judging, throw the illusive fly." For if you are a grounding, addicted to the lazier pleasures of bait, go lower to the dams and the heaped-up drittwood. Nothing beside your fly-book in your pockets, except a sandwich and cigar case, or the more classic *temus aroma* of a pipe, with a flask of Jamaica dashed with Curaçoa. Anchovy sauce and a thin smear of *pâté de foie* are not amiss, though needless, for shall we not at noon step out on the grassy bank beside the spring *splendidior vitro*, and grill a brace of half-pounders on extemporized coals? And as soon as nightfall dims the drop of the fly, shall we not return where neat-handed Phillis will dispose strawberries, cream, coffee, and snowy bread, or the honest brown of rye slices around the *piece de resistance* of a pounder, stewed in claret, or simply boiled with egg? Phillis, remark, is not an Irish name, but graces the daughter of a tanner at whose house these things shall be. And if the Scriptural tanner dealt as fairly by St. Paul, then was Simon's house a pleasant one for wayfarers at Joppa.

Bring with you, too, something of THOREAU's eye, as well as WALTON's hand. For there is not a rood of our course that you may not make a holy rood with glimpses of beautiful life in insect, bird and leaf, if you have the pure sight to read these minute mysteries. And should you find a stray pencil in your pocket, I remember just where the sweep of the stream, from North to West, around a mountain, will tempt a sketch, a mighty maple, under whose shade I will linger to change my flies or draw a puff, while you dot the outlines on a letter-back. Often I have grieved that this particular grouping of rock and forest should perish without leaving its copy on the canvas of genial KENSETT or tender HUBBARD.

Not this morning will we climb the ten miles to yonder purple peak that hides the steel-blue spring, inlaid with lilies, which is the baptismal font of our stream. Some Autumn day, when every tree holds aloft a torch to light the way, we will mount as far as the wood-paths run on horseback, and afoot the last steeper league. Not with rod to violate the breeding-beds, but with rifle for a deer that may be met in a night or two of camping out. And a night or two is enough; you who have been in the Adirondacks will agree with me. Three weeks in the wilderness are monotonous and fearfully dirty; in this region you gain as much sport, health and sun-brown, with half the discomfort. All the poetry of camping out may be tasted in two nights, of which let one be starry and one stormy. And it deserves a chapter to itself. But to-day we will go half way up that peak, where the rolling rosy mists show that the sun is risen, though invisible yet to us. And for the first few miles we will risk a surgeon's bill for dislocations by riding with a barkpeelers team of four mules. These barkpeeler's and lumbermen are a race by themselves, not children of the soil—the wages are too low for native thrift and capacity—but Irish and Germans. Their occupation grows harder every year, as the accessible heights are cleared; and there is hope that in another decade the failure of bark will break up many tanneries, and leave the streams unpolluted. Already the best tanners are putting up furnaces for burning their refuse as fuel. But the city hotels, with their paid poachers, will ever be worse enemies to sportsmen than either sawdust or chemicals.

One of our drivers is an Austrian of fifty, who has seen actual service in the short Austro-Prussian campaign of 1859, that heralded the present war, in the same regions watered by the Maine that are now one field of strife. His natural stories of camp life have a queer but genuine flavor of Wallenstein's Lager. The other swings an empty shirt sleeve that seems to reproach us. Four years ago this very month, on this very road, he was talking with us of the impending draft, and laughing at the fancy that the finger of fate would ever point to him as a conscript among these remote forest haunts. But the lot found him, and he went out with one of the most hardy regiments that the State recruited, to return after Gettysburgh, wounded and discharged, but more a man, though a maimed one, than a century of rustic ignorance would have made him. And he can warm, with questioning, into vivid sketches of the Peninsula and POPE's retreat.

Six o'clock by the time we have passed the tumbledown school-house in the deserted clearing, and reached the burnt saw-mill, built too far up the valley yet for profit. Here only in the world the lumberman's axe trims the timbers for the school-house and log-cabin at once. Here the stream has already swallowed several rills, and gained a name and something of growth. There is room to fish side by side down its centre. Three rods in width, and clear of undergrowth, except an occasional fringe of willows, where the great ones bask among the shallows at noon. Do you suppose it is all shallow? Does that limpid film, with the purple and amber pebbles gloaming up through it, deceive you? Well, having rigged your three joints and adjusted your two flies, (two are enough for this part of the stream, and let them be light rather than dark for an hour yet, since the sun scarcely kisses the water here and there,) step in, and you will feel a cold ring slowly creeping up till it clasps you above the knee, with a hint of rheumatism next November. But with proper care you may wade this stream till you are sixty, as I know men who do, and escape any harm beyond that hint. There is a pool a few rods below yonder turn, where the stream runs deep under green shelves of rock. They are hovering about its upper and lower ends, having returned from the night's foray for food, and we shall begin to take them there where the water first dimples before it breaks into ripples. But don't forget, before you leave the bank, to prepare a comfortable bed for them, and cleanliness for your basket, with a few handsful of leaves—beech are the best, being the most crisp and the least clinging.

They are languid this morning. There was a snap—try him again, and you have him. A three-quarter pounder. *Abrit omen!* I am superstitious as to taking a good fish first, and that is the average of the good trout in this stream. What did he take? A gray hackle, and now my leader is stretched with something that has been deluded by a coachman. Keep your fish away from that swift shoot behind the rock; so, you have him head well up stream, and while he comes in I lift and throw back a trout let of six inches—a mere minor. Again! and on the coachman too, which rather surprises me, for it is not a favorite fly with me. This time he is worth keeping, above a quarter of a pound, and a remarkably dark fish, who has wandered away from some stump or hollow in the bank that was his haunt. Try that wrinkle in the water yonder by the bit of the old root. I thought so; your gray has seduced another and a younger brother of the first. Cautiously now for we are nearing the pool, and shall find a few just before the stones roughen the water as it rushes down to it.

This is merely introductory, but will do very well for the first half hour. Eleven fair fish for the brace of us, besides the captives under age that were released. Now reel up, for we must skirt the edge of the deep water, unless you care to plump in so early up to your shoulders. An hour's patience would be well spent here. I have known a three-pound trout to be taken from this pool at mid-day, but with a white grub. If you will try the head, for the stream narrows a little, I will go half-way down for a long cast toward the swift glassy water at the bottom, while you search out the dark swirls under the trees at the opposite side. In vain for a time. The flies seem a little too sober, and the depth of water, which is over your head here, will bear a shade of higher color. So I shall change for a professor, and would recommend to you the bright brown hackle on an orange body. The preference of fish in particular waters for a particular color is a strange but undoubted caprice. In these streams I have always found yellow most tempting, and have had very little sport with a Canada fly or the claret-bodied gray wing which is so liked in Maine. A practiced sportsman among my friends, who fishes two lakes in Essex County, tells me that in one of them the fish refuse red and take yellow, while in the other the reverse is the case. Still there are times, and to-day seems to be one of them, when motley is the only wear; and therefore I seize every chance by adding a green-bodied fly, striped with silver, and brown-winged.

The best of our morning's work must be done here. Eight o'clock, and in another hour the sun will be looking over the edge of this glen, and they will begin to scatter about the stream. The professor does his duty well. He is steadily instructing the fish as to the qualities of light and air. Silvergreen is less lucky, though he has lured in eight basketable trout. You will succeed in landing most of those you strike, as they have the whole range of the pool, eighty or ninety yards long, for their rush; but many of mine slip over the rapid below, and break away in the strong current. We shall take none of the great ones here—they will be slain only by the white miller at night. But what is that commotion in the water near you? What animal is that coming half paddling, half wading past you, and turning to snarl as you strike at it with a stick? An otter! there he goes down the deep side, rolling and diving as if made of india rubber, with his sleek glossy head just above water. There are a few still left in these streams, though hardly worth so much, with their Summer coats on, as when ASTOR, with pack on back, used to wander through these very counties, buying of the trappers. The beast will hide himself in some rocky cleft of this pool, and spoil our sport here, for he is a terror to the finny tribes greater than a swooping hawk among the hens. And as there is a light mist of cloud creeping over the sky we may safely now try the more open country beyond. One last cast before we reel up, just under the birch yonder "that wreathes its old fantastic roots so high," where the pool rushes out, deep and strong. Ah! I feared it. Caught in a dead branch of that old overhanging tree, twelve yards behind me, and flies and two feet of leader gone! The bough is too high to reach with a forked pole, too strong to be pulled down by a string tossed over with a stone, and just too rotten to bear the weight of a climber. So we leave the wreck to its fate, and wade out, not without caution, across the stream where it boils and plunges down among the rocks, and over to this broad sandy and shady shore, from which it glances away and slants far off in an even, clear and calm reach of half a quarter of a mile. There we shall get some good quiet work before noon, though you must wade until your basket floats. And here, while we sit to repair damages, it is proper to reward ourselves with a moderate nip from the flask, and just a taste of a pipe, while we discourse.

Are you aware, my friend, that fly-fishing is a very ancient pastime? The naturalist AELIAN describes the sport very neatly, telling us that in a river of Macedonia the natives diverted themselves by taking a spotted fish with a fly made of purple wool and the feather from a cock's wattles, in imitation of a wasp-like insect on the banks, just like what we should call a brown hackle on a mauve body, and no bad fly in some spots even now. They used a reed pole six feet long, and a line of the same length, so that the sport rather resembled what we call daping than the modern fly-casting. I fancy ALCIBIADES would have made an expert fly-fisher. But there are no traces of the amusement in Roman literature, that I remember.

See that clump of laurels in full flower on the opposite shore, with its fairy goblets of rose and snow. Avoid them, for the line is lost beyond rescue, once entangled in that stiff foliage. That delicate odor floating around us is the breath of the wild honey suckle, trailing its clear pink clusters over the rocks, and dear to rustic childhood as the "pinkster blume;" and here, close alongside these velvet mosses, nestles the starry blossom of the exquisite arbutus. Were we a month earlier, we should have brighter blooms, a tenderer tint of foliage, and perhaps more trustful trout. And yet my accounts from all parts of the country agree that the fish are not taking the fly as well as usual this year. Through what inscrutable secret of the elements or of animal life I know not, but from Maine, from the Pennsylvania streams, from Connecticut, and from the northern New-York counties, sportsmen all tell me that they are languid and dull. The fat, tame things in Long Island ponds may be an exception—and they are welcome to be so.

But we have idled long enough, and are refreshed and repaired. The mounting sun warns, and that long, quiet stretch of bright water invites us. Willow-roots dip into it here and there, and a bit or two of open bank shows us where the old pastures lie, from which I borrow a hint as to the new fly to be tried. That dull, even sound you hear comes from a woodman's ax; and see, far below, just at the edge of vision, the vast cone of that dusky pine stoops and quivers. As it bows and crashes down there flies out all around it a delicate golden-green cloud of dust from its pollen, sureoling it like a glory, and floating off in its very shape till it melts away, like the ghost of a forest king. He lies prone, partly in the water, and by the time we have reached him the startled fish will have recovered from their surprise, and we may twitch out some good ones from the shelter of his prostrate boughs.

For this next essay of craft we will use as a tail-fly the tiny black gnat, a small mouse-colored hackle for the dropper, and for the stretcher that sober but dangerous insect which the cow-pasture just now suggested, and "which our free shepherds call a grosser name," though I choose to christen it the curlew, from the feather I always use in making it. If the clouds deepen and grow heavier, I may substitute a red ant for the hackle—but all of the smallest, and let your cast be long and your touch most light, if you hope to do much in such open water as the day grows older. Far down, where the stream begins to narrow again, and just out of sight,

> "There is a little lawny islet
> By anemone and violet,
> Like mosaic, paven,"

in the heart of which there gushes out a spring of 50°, unwarmed and unfrozen all the year round; and there at noon we are to rest until the shadows lengthen over the water, and we gain an hour or two of evening fishing, worth all the day beside.

So, at home, the prizes counted and brought to the balance. You number fifty-seven, and they weigh sixteen pounds and a half. I count but forty-nine, yet they turn the scale at nineteen pounds. You forget to keep the reckoning of those thrown back; but a string tied to my button-hole, with a knot for each irked victim, shows me twenty-seven knots. I have known many a day of better sport—but this is enough—enough for the table, and quite enough, size considered, to keep the tribes of the stream from overmultiplying.

And now, after dinner and the slowly-inhaled pipe, let us see what books you have for the hour of candlelight and the rainy day that yonder heavy thunder-top of cloud promises us by to-morrow. For such times of inforced leisure I always lay aside two or three of the books of the season, which promise to be worth the trouble of quiet reading. So here we have *Les Travailleurs de la Mer*, *Atalanta*, and *Ecce Homo*.

Subtle and exquisite as this *renoissance* of Greek tone and faith is which Mr. SWINBURNE has called up, it undeniably seems to the scholar from its very truthfulness to antiquity, more scholarly than poetic. It wants the modern elements of human interest, and stands before us like Pygmalion's statue endowed with life, rather than a breathing mortal figure. He has practiced the lost magic of reviving their *simulacra* from the ashes of burnt roses—"Pale, shadowy, spectral, scentless flowers evoking." The grace and delicacy of the construction are like frostwork on glass, or rather like the lovely cold and colorless shimmer of the Aurora. TALFOURD did succeed in warming *Ion* with more of human emotion, and a little less deserves Mr. STEDMAN's just censure upon "a return to the severe and frozen objectivity of the antique." SWINBURNE has left us in no doubt whether he could create with warmth and passion by his choice and treatment of subject in "Chastelard." That poem sins not so much by the opposite extreme of subjectiveness as by a coarse picturing of action fired by emotion. It is scarcely less gross than THOMSON's "Musidora," over which so many Satyrs have grinned.

VICTOR HUGO seems to me to have grasped more than he can wield in his *Toilers of the Sea*. The purpose was, if his swelling prologue is rightly understood, to contrast the material finite with the moral infinite; but he gives most of his power to the struggle between the material finite and the elemental and material infinite. His task is simpler and narrower, and therefore more grand than that he set to himself in Jean Valjean; but he misses the wonderful complexity of human life at its highest and lowest in Paris, and bases those brilliant episodes of description connected with the past which gave his former book its entrancing interest. How funny and how French is the fancy suggested, as you have read, by this book, of dining on the cuttle fish! I believe a Parisian would taste the Devil, if he could get him iced.

Have you yet read enpugh of the *Ecce Homo* to be sure whether it is of Heaven or of the other region? No just idea of it can be gained from English reviews, inspired by fright or *camaraderie*, to revile or extol it. Is it RENAN recast and put in Quaker clothes to suit the graver taste of the north side of the Channel? Is it COLERIDGE's attempt to fuse philosophy and religion, treated in the form of a fanciful biography? Such books can do little harm nor excite much controversy among us, with whom religion is like our freedom, nurtured in the cradle, and inspired with its very air. So we may leave the question to the Continental reviewers until August, by which time, if all things prosper, I hope to have reconstructed the twenty flies lost from the stock of fifty brought up with me, and to have the happiness of sending you another bunch of leaves from the woods.

ARMAC.

SARATOGA.

The Dullness at Present—What Saratoga Needs—Money Not so Free as Formerly—The Questionable Visitors—The Improvements—The Opera House.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

SARATOGA, Tuesday, July 10, 1866.

Saratoga is dull. Your correspondents are right in what they say. Ask anybody here who is interested in the profits of a lively season, and is not politic enough to dissemble, and you will get corroboration of the fact. You hear the same story from the barkeepers, who had expected a heavy demand for cobblers and juleps; from the dusky waiters and stout porters, who had calculated upon nice fees; from the cigar-shop keepers; from the clerks, male and female, of the numerous booths which line Broadway; from the people at the Lake, superiors and subordinates; from the hack-drivers, who are unwontedly obsequious; from everybody, high and low, decent and outrageous, the complaint is that the greenbacks do not flow so freely as they have for the last three or four years.

And yet, except the disfigurement of the place by the burning of the two great hotels, Saratoga is as attractive as ever. The fact is, people are not so free with their money this Summer as they were last. The national taxes begin to be felt more severely, business is not so brisk, and we are all disposed to count the cost, and to think a moment before we spend our money whether we are getting the worth of it. The change is a wholesome one, and will not damage in the least the morals or the culture of the nation. Perhaps it may result that we shall all learn that extravagance is vulgarity, that fine clothes and gay equipages do not make fine ladies and gallant gentlemen. One sees better people at the quiet, out-of-the-way places than in the fashionable ones. Ballston is a dreary enough village, and presents about as few attractions as any country town one could well select. The spring is absurd in comparison with those which flow so freely at Saratoga, but yet one sees as fine (if not finer) people at the little tumble-down tavern there as at the great and elegantly appointed and handsomely served hotels of Saratoga. The old Sans Souci Hotel is no more—at least so far as Summer resorters are concerned. It is now nothing but a seat of learning for fair young maidens, and healthful calisthenic exercises displace the riot and revelry of the dancing halls.

If the Saratoga people had learned something from Baden-Baden and other European spas, it would have been well for them. They have made enough out of their Summer visitors, and the incentive of future profit ought to have been great enough to induce them to render their village more attractive to the eye and more satisfying to the taste. Nature, who has forgot en them in respect of scenery, has outdone herself in the profusion of health-giving waters which she has lavished upon them. It seems necessary only to dig to give outlet to new springs; and the variety of the waters which gush forth is something wonderful. Why, then, do not these favored villagers understand the advantage to themselves of making Saratoga in every way attractive to the throngs of people whom these natural remedies must always attract hither? Why do they not keep clean their streets and devise plans for our enjoyment? Happily for them that such men as the LELANDS, who appreciate the wants of the public, have come hither to sustain their fortunes, else the fame of Saratoga would soon be over.

The improvements the LELANDS have inaugurated will do much to make a visit here satisfactory; but those hideous piles of ruins which show where the United States and Congress once stood must be the sites of new and elegant hotels before Saratoga is as gay and attractive as it was in old times. It would also be wisdom for the owners of houses hereabouts to inquire a little more carefully into the antecedents of their tenants. Though they may not know it, the presence of such throngs of loose women, flaunting their vulgarity in the face of every visitor, is not a feature of Saratoga life which will permanently prove remunerative. The gamblers might also be restrained a little without damage to the credit of the place and with advantage so far as the character of the Summer visitors is concerned. Forbidden things are beyond doubt very seductive to the average man, but it is possible to make them too common and outrageous and so disgust and repel us all. Mark my words: that magnificently dressed woman and her companion, "Count," who drive their four-in-hand through Broadway just at dusk, every evening, and go home at night to gather in their gains, will not prove a paying feature of Saratoga in general, however great may be the emoluments of the pair themselves and their attendant train. This business is altogether too open, too blatant, too offensive to be seductive.

The chief attractions of Saratoga centre about the Union Hotel, though the Clarendon doubtless attracts the more elegant people. The LELANDS have shown good taste in furnishing their parlors with Summer chairs and sofas. They give the rooms a clean, cool, appropriate appearance. One is glad to get rid of the old, stuffed things. I only wish I saw fewer coarse people using them. Dancing progresses quite solemnly. Not the most austere Puritan could have aught to say against the terpsichorean performances which have thus far occurred. Is it brutal to say that what is just now needed here is—a few belles? I mean half a dozen women who will be acknowledged as queens of the ball-room. They always excite competition, and put vivacity into the lesser functionaries of the dancing hall. The cry is—A BELLE! Moreover, there is not less lack of gay cavaliers. I will do them the justice of saying, that the women are more elegant than the men. But we will hope that all this will soon be changed; let us watch the nightly omnibus loads from the depot, to hail the coming Queen of all our hearts!

I hear that the private houses throughout the village are pretty well filled, and I notice that several well-known New-Yorkers have taken cottages for the season. The old Southern faces grow more and more frequent; the South is proverbially bilious and Saratoga famously corrective. As always, one encounters many Cubans and South Americans, generally at the Springs of a morning. They seem to take to the water prodigiously. And no wonder. Where in the world can you find their equal?

But I have said nothing of the especial gaieties of the season. The races that are to come you know all about. They will fill the hotels, empty the pockets of a good many, and fill the pockets of many more. The Lake road, which is to be a great feature, is not near done. Handbills are posted about inviting laborers and teams at so much a day to complete the undertaking. It ought, however, to be got through this season. The road will help the Lake House folks, who complain that the demand for their fried potatoes is not brisk enough. But the main attraction is the Opera House, and a neat, pretty, appropriate place it is. The HANLON Brothers, assisted by the SEAGRISTS, have been tumbling for the amusement of poor houses. A little dramatic company is superadded. Among those who compose it are Miss MARY WELLS, of Niblo's; Mr. YOUNG, of Wallack's; Mr. BOYD, of the Winter Garden; Mr. HINTON, of the Olympic; Miss COLE, of the Broadway; Mr. METKIFF, of the same theatre; Mr. SAWIN, of Niblo's, and Miss ELIZA COULDOCK. They have acted in pleasant little comedies like "Kiss in the Dark," &c. The Opera House did not prove a well-paying investment to its lessee last year, but I hope it may the present season. The ten-pin alleys and billiard-tables underneath are also let out. From present appearances they do not promise a very heavy profit. And yet they are unusually well appointed.

The more quiet people are affecting this year such hotels as the Columbian and Temple Grove. The former has come again under the superintendence of its old proprietor, Mr. BALCH, and is a very nice, well kept house. The Temple Grove is also doing very well. Several hotels of the lesser kind, among them MARVIN's, which promises to be quite handsome, are going up. The Saratogians evidently anticipate a long continuance of the glory of the Springs. Nor need they fear that it will soon depart, if they husband their resources, beautify their town, give the visitor as much as he gets elsewhere, and more, and guard the respectability of the place.

Sunday in Saratoga is a dull day for the gay people; but for the church-going it presents attractions enough to satisfy the most exacting. The ministerial stomach has always affected these waters. Some of us can remember when the now worldly "Union" was a staid and favorite resort for the clerical fraternity, but now-a-days one sees them mostly at the Columbian. But wherever they lodge, they preach in all the churches which have been built with especial reference to the Summer's influx of people, and they give us their best sermons, delivered under all the advantages of the invigoration which the waters afford. The enterprising trustees or what-not of the churches, give conspicuous notification of the presence of a distinguished preacher and his engagement for their desks, by posting the announcement of the sermon and preacher on the more prominent shade-trees and on the pillar-posts of the hotels. The result is almost always, unless the day be insufferable, a full congregation, and I hope a handsome addition to the treasury of the church; for the offertory is not omitted. One only wishes that the Saratoga churches would get paid for at some time or other. Nobody feels disposed to question the fairness of a weekly contribution from the chance occupants of the pews; but it is pretty hard to have your attention every year called to the fact that there is a debt upon the building, and that the necessities of religion in the town require that the burden should be removed, and to have an appeal made to you to assist in the work. I will not say that this is the case with all or many of the Saratoga churches. I only know that my devotions on Sunday last were disturbed by a feeling statement of debt, and an urgent call for its liquidation. And yet I do not know but the visitors at the place are somewhat responsible for the incurring of the debt, for the churches are built with reference to them. But I do hope they will make a heavy effort this year, and let us hear no more of the incumbrance hereafter.

VISITOR.

COLLEGE COMMENCEMENTS.

AMHERST COLLEGE.

Exercises of Commencement Week—Address by Dr. James McCosh—Alumni Meeting—Hon. H. G. DeForest, President—Oration by Rev. Dr. Storrs, Jr.—Commencement Day—Programme—Degrees—Honors for the Press—Dinner—Speeches.

From Our Own Correspondent.

AMHERST, Mass., Thursday, July 12, 1866.

The Society of Religious Inquiry was addressed on Tuesday evening by Rev. Dr. JAMES MCCOSH, of Queen's University, Dublin, who chose to speak to his audience, which was brilliant and somewhat tasidious, concerning the practical workings of British institutions of learning and religious thought in England, instead of on some profoundly unintelligible subject; and his hearers went home delighted with the simple, unpretentious address of one of the most learned men in the three kingdoms, and having received a stock of mental pabulum to be digested at leisure and remembered with pleasure.

THE ALUMNI MEETING

was held early Wednesday morning, in Alumni Hall. Hon. WHITING GRISWOLD, in the absence of the presiding officer, called the meeting to order, and after prayer by Rev. Prof. HOLTON, delivered the opening address of congratulation and welcome to the alumni. Hon. HENRY G. DE FOREST, of New-York City, of the Class of 1839, was elected President for the ensuing year, and in a graceful and pleasing manner spoke of the early history of the institution, the present prosperity, and the glorious future before it. Prof. CLARKE of the committee appointed at a former meeting to report concerning the erection of some memorial of those alumni and students who had fallen in the war, stated that the Committee had not been able to determine upon a suitable memorial. A monument to be erected on the college campus had been deemed appropriate. He reported that the man who drew the first load of stones to erect the first college building in 1820, had agreed to give more money than all that the alumni had subscribed during the past year. It was determined that the Committee be authorized still to receive contributions, which already amount to nearly a thousand dollars.

This meeting of the alumni seems to have become one of the most agreeable features of the week; where friends meet after long absence, and where touching memories of friendship and incidents of college life constitute the prominent themes. The older the graduate, the more mirthful are his recollections, and in the joyous abandon of the gathering he becomes a boy again. Space will not permit the recital of but one of many interesting reminiscences. ABNER B. ELY, of Boston, said he was a freshman when HENRY WARD BEECHER was a senior here. They were both members of a certain society, in which BEECHER once read an essay that purported to describe an examination of his class by President HUMPHREY. O. S. FOWLER, who was not the best student in the class, and had not at that time perfected his system of phrenology, was asked "What is smell?" "Smell, ahem; smell is smell." That did not prove wholly satisfactory, and the question was passed to another, who gave a better answer, but not satisfactory. The same question was put to WRIGHT, who was the radical man of the class, and no matter what subject was introduced, turned it to the question of slavery. "Smell," says WRIGHT, "smell is the odor that arises from the back of the African," and went on to describe the dusky race as entering into every subject, political or moral, and to the speaker, regarding the essay from this stand-point, it seemed almost a prophetic declaration.

Rev. Dr. STORRS, of Cincinnati, of the Class of 1846; Rev. HENRY C. GRAVES, of the Class of 1856, and E. P. DYER, of the Class of 1861, appeared as the representatives of their respective classes. Mr. DE FOREST called upon Judge VAN COTT, of New-York City, as a personal friend of the late Hon. JAMES HUMPHREY, of Brooklyn, who graduated here in the Class of 1831, and as a distinguished advocate at the New-York bar, to speak of his departed associate. Judge VAN COTT replied in a most admirable extemporaneous address, testifying in fitting phrase to the worth and purity of that noble man who retained in the political world his reputation as a consistent Christian beyond and above reproach. Rev. Dr. JONAS KING, the distinguished missionary from Athens, who was many years ago appointed Professor of Oriental Languages here, addressed the large assembly in a most spirited manner. Dr. KING was accompanied by his wife, a native of Athens and distinguished for her many accomplishments and beauty. Dr. MCCOSH replied to an invitation to address the alumni by stating that among the many things he had learned while in this country, one was, that not only was it untrue that our army was composed of mercenary hirelings, but that the best blood of the land and the best men of our Colleges had nobly borne arms and nobly died in the rebellion.

Prof. TYLER stated at the close of the exercises that those who desired could see in the recitation room connected with his department a beautiful and finely chiscled bust of DEMOSTHENES, a costly gift of Mr. DE FOREST, the presiding officer.

THE ORATION BY DR. STORRS

before the literary societies of the College was given on Wednesday afternoon. Language fails to express the grace, the power and the resistless eloquence of this distinguished orator. The four characteristics of this audience were a vast, rich and pervading moral force, a clear appreciation of the value of principles, a susceptibility to fine qualities in personal character, and a firm faith in God. He forgot himself, and his hearers forgot themselves, and both heard only the voice of God speaking to the American people through the war.

COMMENCEMENT DAY.

Hosts of alumni, crowds of fair ladies, gay students admiring them, countrymen from Pelham hills, muscular and mirth-inclined, thronged the shady streets of this beautiful village to-day, their steps all turning to that abomination of architecture, the village church, where so many generations of students have, each in their turn, received the long-sought, hard and well-won token of collegiate success. It really seems to a casual observer that in this little paradise the one vile thing is the village church. The students hate it. Soon may it cease to be.

Early came the alumni to the college grounds, eager to get just one drink more from the college well, to lounge along the smooth campus and breathe in the pure air from the mountains. To the sound of martial music the long procession wended its way from the Johnson Chapel to the place appointed, and, stopping a moment at the mansion of the President, received him, clad in the academic robes of office, accompanied by the Corporators of the College and the Governor of the State, a loved son of this seat of learning, his Excellency Hon. ALEXANDER H. BULLOCK and his aids, Cols. PIERSON, WADE and WASHBURN. The church was crowded with a large audience, including distinguished gentlemen of every profession.

The order of exercises was:

PRAYER BY THE PRESIDENT.

1. A Salutatory Address in Latin, CHARLES H. CHANDLER.
2. An Oration—"Agriculture the Basis of our National Prosperity." JASON H. BLISS.
3. An Oration—"Sectional Jealousy. ERASTUS W. TWITCHELL.
4. An Oration—"Wendell Phillips." JACOB W. WOOD.
5. An Oration—"The Brotherhood of Nations." ASA A. SPEAR.
6. An Oration—"Lesson from Our Mountains." THOMAS S. SMITH.
7. An Oration—"Political Generals." JOSEPH W. FAIRBANKS.
8. An Oration—"Church Music." STEPHEN B. RAND.
9. An Oration—"An Unpaid Professor." VINCENT MOSES.
10. An Oration—"Boys." WM. P. FISHER.
11. An Oration—"Irish Liberty." LABAN W. ALLEN.
12. Philosophical Oration—"Relation of Radicalism to Reform." PERES D. COWAN.
13. An Oration—"An Unexplained Joke." GEO. F. ZIEGLER.
14. An Oration—"Physical Christianity." ELISHA H. BARLOW.
15. An Oration—"The Bommany." SAMUEL H. VALENTINE.
16. An Oration—"The Hoosic Tunnel." WILLIAM WESTON.
17. An Oration—"Silence." GEORGE HARRIS, Jr.
18. English Oration—"American Irreverence." SAMUEL J. DIKE.
19. Greek Oration. JAMES E. SPEAR.
20. Philosophical Oration—"Laughter." HENRY C. WESTON.
21. An Oration—"Icebergs." HEMAN HUMPHREY NEILL.
22. An Oration—"Gladstone." HERBERT L. BRIDGMAN.
23. An Oration—"Atheism of Secession." GEO. BRAYTON.
24. English Oration—"The Social Tie." CHARLES H. PARKHURST.

DEGREES CONFERRED.

25. English Oration and the Valedictory Address—"The Need of Educated Opinion." MAURICE B. BLAKE.

DEGREES CONFERRED.

The degree of A. B. was conferred on the gentlemen of the graduating class, numbering fifty-one.

The degree of A. B. was conferred on J. G. BIGELOW and CHARLES SEVERENCE, two students who left college and entered the army.

The degree of Master of Arts in course was conferred on F. B. Doe, J. F. Fuller, Justin P. Kellogg, M. P. Snell, F. B. Allen, A. B. Watkins, W. M. Bullard, T. S. Bond, W. M. Howland, R. J. Jones, and C. M. Billings.

The honorary degree of Master of Arts was betowed on CHARLES GOODWIN CLARK, of Boston; Dr. WILLIAM DWIGHT, of Bernardston, Mass.; Rev. WILLIAM K. VAIL, of Shutesburgh, Mass.; WILLIAM SWINTON, Esq., of New-York City, well-known as war correspondent and author of the "History of the Army of the Potomac." ALBERT D. RICHARDSON, Esq., of the New-York Daily *Tribune*, and FRANKLIN J. OTTARSON, of the New-York Daily TIMES.

The honorary degree of L. L. D. was conferred on Rev. Dr. LAURENS P. HICKOK, President of Union College, and author of a series of text books on Metaphysics, and Hon. LOYAL C. KELLOGG, of Rutland, Vt., a graduate of this College in 1836, and Judge of the Supreme Court, and Hon. HENRY W. WILLIAMS, of the class of 1836, and Judge of the United States District Court of Pittsburgh, Penn.

The degree of S. T. D. was conferred on Rev. ELI THURSTON, class of 1834, of Fall River; Rev. EDMUND K. ALDEN, class of 1844, of South Boston, and Rev. WILLIAM MILLER, of Liverpool, England.

The announcement of the honorary degrees was received with hearty approbation, and the bestowal of collegiate honors on the various gentlemen connected with the press was especially satisfactory, as an acknowledgment of journalistic merit and editorial success. Mr. SWINTON was at one time a member of the class of 1856, and although he did not remain to graduate, he was, it is said, noted for superior attainments by the Faculty of the college, who have to-day publicly recognized him as an adopted son.

After prayer and benediction by the President, the alumni proceeded to the hall erected by the princely munificence of WILLISTON for their accommodation, when, after a dinner—too poor to be spoken of—was not enjoyed, Dr. STEARNS announced the presence of three gentlemen, one to represent the Commonwealth and the College, the second to represent the Trustees and the College, and the third the collegiate interests in foreign countries. He alluded to the Board of Trustees and the recent election of HENRY WARD BEECHER as a member of that Board.

Governor BULLOCK, in response to the toast offered by Dr. STEARNS—"The Old Bay State; never did she place a brighter crown upon her brow than when she took her Governor from Amherst," spoke of the opposition the infant college had in its early days to encounter from legislative influence, and to the victory which he and others had been able to win for it a few years later, when they had the pleasure of seeing its claims acknowledged, never hereafter to be repudiated. He paid a tribute of respect to the memory of Presidents HUMPHREY and HITCHCOCK, who he said was the greatest genius of Western Massachusetts, and the most modest; who had left behind him great tracks, more grand and more enduring than those he had with his own hands dug out of the plentiful valley of the Connecticut, and placed in those cabinets, but that the crowning success of the college had been won during the administration of the present President, Dr. STEARNS. I came, said Gov. BULLOCK, not to speak the words of banishment once uttered from the State House, but to welcome you to the heart and hearthstone of the State. Dr. STEARNS, after expressing thanks for personal good wishes pronounced by Gov. BULLOCK, said he would be unable to call upon Dr. STORRS to represent the Trustees and the College, for he had disappeared, no doubt gone up in a chariot of fire kindled by the flame of his eloquence. The President then said that there was present an Englishman who was a Scotchman, a Scotchman who came from Ireland, and combined the best qualities of the United Kingdom.

Dr. MCCOSH was greeted by "God Save the Queen," and replying in a facetious manner, spoke of the differences between England and America as those of a mother and daughter, who had made a runaway match one July day, and because she was alarmed sometimes at our bold movements, as a hen is alarmed when her ducklings enter an element about which she knows nothing.

So closed the exercises of the Forty-fifth Commencement. The semi-centennial anniversary, now not far off, will be celebrated under the most auspicious circumstances and in the zenith of prosperity.

GEORGIA UNIVERSITY.

Commencement Exercises—Discouragements of the War—Education Reviving—The People of Athens.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ATHENS, Ga., Friday July 6, 1866.

In the midst of the poverty and discouragement which are everywhere to be seen, it was truly refreshing to witness, as I did, the Commencement exercises at the University of Georgia, which took place here this week.

For five sad years these ceremonies have been suspended. These halls were decorated by the Professor and the student, and tenanted only by the wounded and diseased soldier, and the physicians and nurses of an hospital. The war ended, learning resumed her seat, and the scarred and weather-beaten youths of the State, wherever they could command the means, crowded around it, eager for the acquisition of knowledge, and anxious to make up for the time they had lost.

The University of Georgia, founded in 1789, has always been one of the most deservedly popular Colleges in the South, famous for the erudition and zeal of its Professors, the thoroughness of its educational system, and the distinguished scholars which it has furnished. Its successive Presidents—MEIGS, BROWN, FINLEY, WADDEL, CHURCH and LIPSCOMB—are well known in the world of letters and of science, and the brightest intellects of the South have been among the *alumni* of old Franklin College.

Commencement week has always been regarded as a great occasion. From every part of the State crowds of visitors have flocked to Athens to witness its ceremonies, and enjoy the generous hospitalities of the residents, and most of the distinguished men of the State, who are trustees of the institution, congregated here during that week to regulate its affairs, be present at the exercises, and take part in the social and festive gatherings which the occurrence afforded.

This year Commencement was unusually attractive. The visitors were numerous, and the public men, wherever health and business would permit, gladly availed themselves of the opportunity to be present at the revival of the time-honored ceremonial. The venerable WILSON LUMPKIN, twice Governor of the State, and for many years one of Georgia's Senators in Congress; his younger brother, JOSEPH HENRY LUMPKIN, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia, one of the greatest of living jurists; CHARLES J. JENKINS, now Governor by unanimous voice of the people, former Judge of the Supreme Court, beloved and respected

know whether I was at liberty to use his letter, to which he replied as follows:]

I am about to visit Norfolk and will see MYERSON. I had a conversation three days ago with Gov. PIERPOINT, and I think he will fully sustain you. As the matter now stands, I think you are fully sustained, and as it is not necessary, I should prefer that my letter should not be published, but you can show it to any one you please. If it was necessary, I should not object to its being published, for what I say I will stand up to, but Mr. BALDWIN's friends have talked to me freely of the course he intends to pursue in his publication. They have done so voluntarily, but if my letter was published, they might think I was volunteering against him, when, in truth, I wished, as a matter of justice to you, to afford you information of what came to me, not under the seal of confidence; that which did, of course I cannot use.

Yours, very respectfully,
JOHN A. PARKER.

[The necessity having arisen, I feel free to use the letter.]

Early in May I received the following letter from the same source:

OAKLAND, May 1, 1866.

Hon. J. M. Botts:

DEAR SIR: I said in my last letter after seeing Gen. MILLSON I might write you.

I have seen him, and he said to me that Mr. LINCOLN told him in substance, and almost in the identical words, what you have testified to. He used the expression that he could no Mr. BALDWIN, if Your Convention is a standing menace to me." MILLSON says he was struck with the word *menace* as soon as he saw your testimony, and did not know until he saw it that Mr. LINCOLN had used it to any person except himself in the presence of Dr. STONE. He says after Mr. LINCOLN had told him the proposition he had submitted to Mr. BALDWIN, he (MILLSON) said: "Is it possible, Mr. President, Mr. BALDWIN did not accept it?" To which the President replied, "You shall hear." He then went on and gave a detailed statement of conditions, &c., which Mr. BALDWIN proposed to him, which of course he said he could not entertain. All this took place in 1863, instead of 1861, as I had at first supposed. There is no man living on whose correctness I should sooner rely than MILLSON'S.

I have stated this matter with no intention or desire to do any injustice to Mr. BALDWIN, (with whom I am only slightly acquainted,) but to see if the conflicting statements could be reconciled.

A fearful responsibility rests somewhere. One million of lives sacrificed, and one thousand millions of dollars lost and destroyed. It is painful to think of.

Very respectfully, yours,
JOHN A. PARKER.

Other corroborative letters from CAMPBELL TABB are also given, and Mr. BOTTS adds:

It was only last week in Washington that Gov. PIERPOINT told me that Mr. LINCOLN told him exactly what he had said to me, with the addition of the surrender of some other fort (either Monroe or Pickens, I am not sure which) that Mr. BALDWIN demanded, when Mr. LINCOLN related to Mr. BALDWIN the anecdote of the lion and the ass, and the latter requiring, in exchange for his daughter's hand, first that he should have his ferocious-looking teeth all drawn, and when that was done, then requiring those hideous claws to be cut off, and when that was complied with, then the ass, taking advantage of the helpless condition of the old lion, knocked him in the head and got rid of him forever; "and such," said Mr. LINCOLN, "would probably be my fate if I should be so obliging and incautious as the lion. It is enough to give up my teeth, but the claws I must reserve for my own use."

In the conclusion of Mr. BALDWIN's portion of the pamphlet he (the balance being devoted to the republication of the testimony of Mr. LEWIS, Mr. BALDWIN and myself, and the letters of several gentlemen, who, as I have already said, only show that Mr. BALDWIN made a very different statement to them from that which he admitted to Mr. LEWIS and myself, which is not only conceded, but constitutes the very ground of general complaint against him,) says: "When I offered to tell Mr. BOTTS all about my interview with Mr. LINCOLN, I did not undertake or expect to seek him for the purpose, but it appears from his own statement that he very clearly understood that he had not yet heard any account of the affair." (I heard enough to form my opinion, and did not care to hear any more, as the ordinance of secession was permitted to pass within an hour or two of that time, while the Union men of that body were kept in profound ignorance of the peaceful and patriotic suggestion of Mr. LINCOLN.) But he continues, "I did not know he proposed to make the occurrence historical," (perhaps not, or he might have exercised a little more caution—nor did I dream then of writing a book,) "and if I had, I would not have suspected a hint of so reckless disregard of the duty of fair authorship as to omit or suppress the testimony of the only living witness." (What witness does he mean? I have no more idea than a child unborn.) "Nor could I have attributed to him in advance the outrage of an attempt to impeach the truth of my statement by the testimony of a witness who does not profess to have ever heard it."

I wish Mr. BALDWIN had been more explicit, that I might have been enabled to explain away what he seems to complain of, as I am confident I have done nothing of which even he has any just ground to complain. As it now stands, it is all gibberish to me, apparently proceeding from a desire to say something harsh, but not knowing what to take hold of for that purpose. Is it not strange that Mr. BALDWIN does not himself pretend to supply the testimony of this only living witness that he charges me with having suppressed?

The rest of this document is taken up with further discussion of matters in the main personal and extraneous, and with repeated reiterations by Mr. BOTTS of the correctness of his testimony.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Constitutional Amendment—Letter from Gov. Curtin.

Col. JORDAN, Chairman of the Union State Central Committee of Pennsylvania, on the 4th addressed a letter to Gov. CURTIN, requesting information as to his intentions respecting a special session of the Legislature to pass upon the Constitutional Amendments, and Gov. CURTIN, on the 11th, replied at some length. In his letter he says:

The question of calling an extra session of the Legislature, to ratify the amendments proposed by the Congress of the United States, has been carefully considered. As soon as Congress finally passed the amendments, I consulted with the Governors of several of the States by telegraph, with the view of securing immediate and concerted action in ratifying them—believing that such a course might hasten the grand end to be attained by their incorporation into our organic law. But the proposition was not received with the favor anticipated, and it now seems settled that there will be no general action of the States to ratify by extra session, even if Pennsylvania should do so. To call an extra session in this State, therefore, would not in any degree hasten the adoption of the amendments by the requisite number of the States.

To effect their adoption, and the restoration of the States lately in rebellion, upon the terms proposed, at the earliest possible period, is my earnest desire, and to that end my humble efforts will be given with unstinting zeal to the advocacy of the proposed amendments, and the support of the candidates who are identified with them. I am glad to know that the great Union Party, that has guided the Government so faithfully, even in the darkest hour of the war, and through whose instrumentality the measures were devised to preserve our beloved Union, is cordially united in the support of these amendments, as also is our distinguished candidate for Governor, Gen. GEARY.

Yielding to no one in veneration for the great charter of our liberties, I should not favor changes in its text for light or trivial causes, but the late rebellion against the Government has made it our duty to incorporate into the organic law such provisions for the future safety and prosperity of the Republic as have been indicated by the light of recent experiences. The issue is fairly before the people.

Other issues, which in past struggles divided us, have passed away. Slavery is dead. After a career of mingled power and arrogance, it died amid the throes of the cruel war which it originated, and our Constitution has already been so amended as to prohibit it forever in all the United States.

The last great struggle to gather the liberal and just fruition of the sacrifice of the late war, will be decided by the verdict of the people of the several States in the coming elections, and I cannot doubt the issue, after the fidelity they have shown in the past. Since the call of the States to act in concert and at once on the amendments, I do not regret that the question of reconstruction goes to the highest tribunal known to our institutions—the people. And when they shall have declared, million-tongued, in favor of the amendments, as I must believe they will, their admonitions to the States still struggling to make the war penitentiary will be potential to be disregarded, and the results will be accepted promptly by friends and foes in the late war.

Should the loyal States, or, indeed, any considerable number of them, unite in calling extra sessions of their legislative bodies to ratify the amendments, I shall very heartily unite with them, regarding, as I do, the speedy adoption of the amendments as the greatest blessing that can be bestowed upon our whole country.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,
A. G. CURTIN.

THE CONVENTION.

Opinions of the Press and the People.

The Petersburgh (Va.) *Index*, in the course of an article relating to the Philadelphia Convention, says:

"Nor should we overlook the inevitable effect of a refusal of the Southern States to participate in the action of this body. We complain that we are denied a hearing before the country; a hearing is now offered and we refuse it. We complain that we are not consulted about the political and industrial course of legislation; the opportunity of suggestion and advice is extended and we are dumb. We complain that we are given over to the torture of malignant enemies; our friends ask us to let them save us and we sullenly refuse.

Will we not be considered as inspired by a sullen hostility to all political association with the remainder of the Union, by an equal indisposition to back our friends and to brave our foes, perhaps by a secret purpose to embarrass fatally a scheme for the restoration of that public tranquillity which our unscrupulous enemies accuse us of continually menacing, in the hope of some sectional advantage from the general disorder?

Surely, such is not the part of wisdom, patriotism or self-interest; and as surely it is not the part which a just regard for the welfare of the Southern people would prescribe, and not the part which will satisfy their just expectations from those whose counsels they have been wont to seek.

Again and again we conjure the people to let no idolatry of, and no antipathy to, old party names and old party obligations stand in the way of this appeal for peace, unity and the Constitution."

From the Mobile Tribune, July 8.

As our readers are aware, a Convention, to meet in Philadelphia on the 14th of August, has been "called" by some of the anti-Radical members of Congress. It is denominated a National Convention, and delegates are invited from all the States and Territories—on the presumption that the Southern States are States, according to the old meaning of the word.

Whether this is the suggestion of a Democratic party, or of a mixed party, is not material to the present purpose. It is enough for us to know that one object of it is to restore the Southern States to an equality with the "loyal" States as far as representation in Congress is concerned. The call assumes that there is no right of secession—no right to break up the Union in any of the States; and no right to deprive a State of representation, if it be represented by "loyal" men. It follows, of course, that no delegate can take his seat in the Convention, who is not "attached in true allegiance to the Constitution, the Union and the Government of the United States."

We think that there is nothing offensive in the condition precedent—nothing which can humiliate our people by entering heartily into the movement. Nearly all of us have taken the oath of allegiance. Thousands of pardons of our most valiant and best men have been granted on the taking of that oath—taking it without any mental reservation, and with a determination that it shall, in all its essential qualities, be binding on them.

In the consideration of all parties there must be compromises. We must take the evil with the good; and our wisdom is called on only to discover whether there is more good than evil in what lies before us for acceptance or rejection.

Well, looking at the matter from this point of view, we assert that the proposition for the Philadelphia Convention ought to be entertained by our people. How can we poor, subjected people expect to overthrow the element of evil, without relaxing something in our full desires for justice, and joining, heart and hand, with any organization that can give us a hope that all the world is not made up of Thad. Stevenses?

It is impossible to make too many "ifs," for we must trust those men who proffer us representation in their Convention, and must not stand too much on the conditions, if they be not vital; and we must send good, discreet men to the Convention, who have wisdom enough to know when it may pass the bounds of justice and propriety.

A correspondent of the Montgomery (Ala.) *Daily Mail*, who signs himself "An Old States Rights Democrat," writes as follows regarding the Convention:

"I have examined with some care the objects of said Convention as set forth, and the platform of principles by which its action is expected to be guided. As the result of such examination, and some reflection, my mind is impressed with the conviction that it is the duty of the Southern men, of every shade of past political opinion, to coöperate in this movement.

Those of us who hold to the doctrine of the right of State secession, freely admit that the question respecting this claim of right has been definitely decided against us by the arbitrament of the sword. This cannot, of course, change conscientious conviction on a legal question. Yet it does practically settle a rule of civil conduct. All intelligent Secessionists, with whom I have exchanged opinions, do, therefore, accept this as an accomplished fact, together with the rule so established. The whole body of our people, I may say, have, under these circumstances, renewed their allegiance to the Government of the United States by solemn oath, and feel bound accordingly, in conscience and honor, to conform to that interpretation of the Constitution which denies any such right.

As to all the other principles enunciated, and the objects set forth in this "call," I think they meet not only the cordial approval of the entire people of the South. The door to renewal of fraternal relations is thus laid open by the men of the North who now sympathise with us, who are manfully confronting those who would degrade and destroy us, and shall we refuse to enter it? I hope to see the entire South take up this movement with zeal and alacrity, and that the time is coming, when the friendly hand which is now held out to the prostrate, bleeding, and exhausted South, will once more, forgetting and forgiving the past, be recognised as the hand of an ancient brother."

In Kentucky.

From the Louisville Journal.

It will be perceived that the terms of one call are very stringent, and, if literally construed, in one sentence too stringent. Evidently, it will be a Union Convention in the strictest sense of the word. Perhaps the most gratifying circumstance about this new and important political movement is the fact that *members of both the Republican and Democratic Parties unite in it.* That is an auspicious beginning. *It is a Union call for the purpose of preserving the Union, and it is fit that men of different parties who agree in the object should take a part in it.*

Some of the very extreme papers on both sides, we observe, speak of the movement in very doubtful terms. We are evidently disposed to throw cold water upon it. The tone of such papers, however, will be likely to enlist the masses in favor of it, at least such of them as are not Secessionists and Disunionists.

Steps should be taken for the appointment of delegates from Kentucky. Kentucky is the Union State, *par excellence*, and should take a prominent part in any movement looking to "a more perfect Union" than we now have, in one sense at least, and her citizens should therefore take prompt action for the appointment of delegates to this National Union Convention.

It will be a noble and inspiring sight, creating joy and enthusiasm in myriads of hearts, to behold a National Convention, as in the years before the war, made up of the representatives of the whole country, the lately battling sections, North and South, meeting together to arrange amicably and justly and patriotically the conditions of a perfect Union. *The Convention, even if it fail to accomplish its great and sublime purpose, will do good everywhere.* It will at least sow the seeds of national harmony, and, although they may possibly lie for an unseemly time in the ground, they must, sooner or later, spring up and bear glorious flowers and cetestial fruits.

In Illinois.

A dispatch to the Chicago *Times*, from Springfield, of July 9, says:

"In response to a call in the *State Register*, a large meeting of conservative citizens was held at the Court-house this evening. ALEXANDER STARNE presided, and DAVID SHERMAN acted as Secretary. The purpose of the meeting was to initiate a movement for a State Convention to appoint delegates to the Philadelphia National Convention. Resolutions were adopted, indorsing the principles enunciated in the address calling the National Convention, and were reported from a committee composed of Gen. MCCLERNAND, Hon. JOHN T. STUART, Messrs. JOHN E. ROSKITO, HENRY C. MYERS, CHAS. H. LAMPHEN and H. J. ALLEN. They also recommend the holding of a State Convention representing the conservative people of the State, at this city, on Thursday, the 20th day of August, and a county mass meeting for this county on the 28th of July, to appoint delegates for this county.

The meeting was eloquently addressed by Gen. MCCLERNAND, ALEX. STARNE and CHAS. A. KEYES, Esq., in advocacy of the movement for the Philadelphia Convention, and denunciatory of the revolutionary policy of the Congressional majority.

A committee was appointed to issue a circular to the people of the State, urging a full representation at this proposed State convention, which, it is to be hoped, will be heartily responded to. No rates of representation are proposed, but the several counties are requested to send such representation as they may deem proper."

The same paper adds, editorially:

A DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.—We print elsewhere in this paper a call by the Democratic State Committee for a Convention of Delegates to be chosen by all the conservative citizens of Illinois, the Convention to be held at Springfield on Wednesday, the 29th of August ensuing. The object of this Convention is to nominate candidates for Congressmen at large and those State offices to be filled at the general election in November, and to transact such other business as may be deemed expedient. The call is eminently catholic, and we may expect a catholic response to it.

POLITICAL ITEMS.

The Detroit (Mich.) *Tribune* of July 10 says:

"Hon. GEORGE WOODRUFF, the nominee of the Kalamazoo Convention for Judge of the Marshall District, is a man about 55 years of age, and has been a resident of the city about 32 years, having emigrated westward while the country was yet a wilderness and Marshall consisted of a few log shanties. He is a native Connecticut Yankee, N. Y., and a graduate of Geneva College, standing at the head of his class. His grandfather was Major HYDE of the Revolutionary army. During the whole time of his residence here he has practiced law. He is also possessed of fine literary attainments, and is one of the best scholars in the community. The election is ordered to be held on the 14th, and there is no other candidate in the field. Judge WOODRUFF lost three sons in the recent war; the oldest, Lieut.-Col. GEORGE WOODRUFF, graduated at West Point with honor about 1859. All were killed in battle."

A correspondent of the Boston *Post*, writing from Concord, N. H., says: "Already throughout our State are there unmistakable evidences of a desire on the part of the people to rally to the support of the new organization about to be formed in harmony with the views of President JOHNSON. New-Hampshire will be fully represented in the Philadelphia Convention, and that, too, by statesmen of enlarged views and mature judgment—men who for the past ten years have kept aloof from the arena of politics, but who will now rally in their strength to the support of the new political movement, prepared to do all in their power to overthrow the party that is persistently preventing a restoration of the Union, and maliciously opposing the views of our worthy President."

The Nebraska City *News* publishes the official summary of the recent election in that State as follows: For the Constitution, 3,938; against it, 3,838.

For Governor—BUTLER, Republican, 4,093; Morton, Democrat, 3,948. For Chief-Justice—MASON, Republican, 3,936; LITTLE, 4,040. The *News* says: "A Radical Board of Canvassers have declared the Democratic State ticket defeated. This declaration is made by refusing to count the votes of 188 *bona fide* citizens of the Rock Bluffs Precinct in Cass County, and at the same time counting the soldier vote of men who live everywhere but in Nebraska."

A call for a Mass State Convention in Connecticut, to appoint delegates to the National Convention in Philadelphia, has been issued by the committee of the National Union organization of the State, consisting of Messrs. JAS. F. PRATT, JAS. F. BABCOCK, EDWARD PRENTIS, WM. H. MALLORY, JOHN GALLUP, LYMAN W. COE, WM. R. SMITH, L. E. PEASE. The Convention is to be held at New-Haven on Wednesday, Aug. 1.

At the Republican Convention in Washington County, Vt., on Tuesday, two Morrill men and one Poland man were nominated for the State Senate. Most of the delegates were in favor of Mr. MORRILL. The Addison County Convention, June 28, instructed the Senators from that county to vote for Mr. MORRILL. [The Senators from Bennington County are understood to be in favor of Mr. MORRILL.

The contest for the Mayoralty of Covington, Ky., has become quadrangular, there being one regular Union nominee, one bolting Union soldier candidate, one regular Democrat, and one Independent. The result will be, it is said, to give the office to the Democratic candidate, a good man, recently the publisher and editor of an anti-Slavery paper in Cynthiana, Ky.

A State Convention has been called to meet at Petersburgh, Va., July 26, to elect delegates to the Philadelphia Convention. The call, which is signed by J. S. SHARPE and others, says: "Since the great object of this National Union Convention is the restoration to the South of their rights under the Constitution, it is earnestly requested that each city and county send its full representation."

The new Constitution of North Carolina provides that "No person who shall deny the being of Almighty God, or the divine authority of both the Old and New Testament, or who shall hold religious opinions incompatible with the freedom and safety of the State, shall be capable of holding any office or place of trust or profit in any civil department of the State."

The Wheeling (Va.) *Intelligencer*, of the 12th, says: "Hon. HENRY J. SAMUELS, of Cabell County, Judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, has tendered his resignation to Gov. BOREMAN, to take effect from the 1st of August. It is understood, we believe, that the Judge resigns the ermine with a view of being a candidate for Congress from his (Third) District in opposition to Mr. WHALEY."

The Salt Lake (Utah) *Union Védette*, of June 26, states "that a large number of the Republican members of the Oregon Legislature, recently elected, sustain the President, and the balance of power being with the friends of this class, NESMITH, or some other follower of the President, will undoubtedly be the next Senator."

Senators CRITCHFIELD, of Holmes, Ohio, and IRION, of Highland, and Representative WRIGHT, of Hamilton have resigned, and Gov. COX has issued warrants directing that the vacancies be filled by special elections, to be held on the second Tuesday of October next.

The Conservative Union men of Caroline County, Md., held a Convention at Denton on the 3d inst. Col. JAMES E. DOUGLAS presided. Resolutions sustaining the policy of President JOHNSON were passed, and delegates were appointed to the State Convention in Baltimore on the 25th inst.

The New-Orleans *Times* takes grounds of unqualified opposition to the Constitutional Amendment, and advances the doctrine that the entire legislation of Congress is null and void, so long as the South remains unrepresented.

The *Union*, of Madison, (Wis.,) of July 9, publishes a call for a National Union State Convention in that city, Aug. 1, to take counsel upon the state of the Union, &c., and to appoint delegates to the Philadelphia Convention of Aug. 14.

The Atlanta (Ga.) *Intelligencer* suggests that a Convention be held in the City of Atlanta for the Seventh Georgia Congressional District, on Saturday, the 28th inst., to elect delegates to represent the district in the proposed National Union Convention.

The Democratic Congressional Convention in the First Vermont District is to meet at Middlebury July 17, and in the Third District, at Hyde Park, August 1. The call is extended to all who indorse President JOHNSON's restoration policy.

Several papers in Iowa have nominated J. B. GRINNELL for Governor, and state that if the news of the assault on him by Gen. ROUSSEAU had been received one day earlier, he would have been nominated for Congress.

Southern papers exhibit a very general disposition on the part of the people to respond to the address for the Philadelphia Convention. State and District Conventions have been called in Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina.

The New-Orleans Democrats and Conservatives have held a caucus and agreed to call a State Convention to appoint delegates to the National Convention at Philadelphia.

Gen. HUNTER, Radical, and H. W. HARRINGTON, Democrat, candidates for Congress in the Third Indiana District, are having a joint canvass—addressing the same audiences.

The officers of the Texas Provisional Government have been officially instructed to continue their duties until contrary orders are received from the President.

MAJ.-GEN. LOGAN arrived in Washington, on Wednesday evening. The *Republican* says he is not about entering upon a stumping tour through Pennsylvania.

The Tioga *Agitator* announces that there will be no opposition to the re-nomination of Hon. STEPHEN F. WILSON, of the Eighteenth Pennsylvania Congressional District.

Mr. R. CURTIS ACKERMAN was chosen delegate to the Philadelphia Convention by the Conservatives of the Fourth (KELLEY's) Congressional District on June 8.

A correspondent of the Detroit *Post* says the name of Hon. CHAUNCEY DAVIS, of Muskegon, seems quite prominent at this time as a candidate for Congress, to succeed Hon. T. W. FERRY.

The *Michigan State News*, published at Ann Arbor, urges an entire change in the candidates for State officers at the approaching Convention. For Governor it favors H. G. WELLS.

It is claimed that nine Northern States will refuse to ratify the Constitutional Amendment, and among them are Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa and Indiana.

Hon. MATT CARPENTER, a well-known War Democrat, of Wisconsin, has indorsed in a speech at Green Bay, the Reconstruction Amendments.

A Richmond paper says there should be a new Cabinet officer, called the Secretary of the Exterior, and appointed from the South.

Every Republican member in both the Legislatures of Connecticut and New-Hampshire voted for the ratification of the Constitutional Amendment.

The daily edition of the New-London (Conn.) *Chronicle* has been revived as a Union Republican paper.

The Goldsboro *News*, one of the most influential papers in North Carolina, favors the National Union Convention.

The Union men of Delaware hold a State Nominating Convention at Dover on the 8th of August.

WILLIAM E. JONES, editor of the San Antonio (Texas) *Express*, boldly avows himself a Republican.

The Democratic State Convention in Illinois is to be held at Springfield, Aug. 29.

The Chicago *Republican* is hostile to the renomination of JOHN WENTWORTH for Congress.

EDWARD BATES, Attorney-General under President LINCOLN, endorses Mr. JOHNSON's policy.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

OUT-DOOR SPORTS.

Base Ball.

MATCHES TO BE PLAYED THIS WEEK.

JULY 16.—Mutual *vs.* Atlantic, second nines, at Hoboken.

JULY 16.—Monmouth, of Hoboken, *vs.* McClellan, of Paterson, at Hoboken.

JULY 17.—Gotham *vs.* Union, at Morrisania.

JULY 17.—Active *vs.* Eclectic, second nines, at Hoboken.

JULY 17.—Irvington *vs.* Athletic, at Philadelphia.

JULY 18.—Eckford *vs.* Eckford Social, on the Union Grounds, Williamsburgh.

JULY 19.—Monmouth, of Hoboken, *vs.* Alert, of Newark, at Hoboken.

JULY 19.—Excelsior *vs.* Union, at Bedford.

JULY 19.—Atlantic *vs.* Peconic, at Bedford.

JULY 21.—Atlantic, of Brooklyn, *vs.* Atlantic, of Jamaica.

IRVINGTON, OF KINGSTON, *VS.* OLYMPIC, OF PATERSON.

On Friday a game took place between these clubs, which resulted in an overwhelming victory for the Irvingtons. We give the score below:

OLYMPIC.	Outs.	Runs.	IRVINGTON.	Outs.	Runs.
Tynan, 1st b.	1	2	Bailey, r. f.	2	10
Toomey, p.	2	1	Wolters, p.	2	9
McKahn, c.	2	1	M. Campbell, 1st b.	2	9
Fitzgerald, 2d b.	3	1	Sweasy, 2d b.	2	8
Hughs, 3d b.	3	1	Crawford, s. s.	2	7
Lamb, s. s.	4	0	H. Campbell, r. f.	4	7
Chapman, l. f.	2	0	Leonard, 3d b.	3	9
McKennan, r. f.	2	0	Buckley, c.	3	7
Kilt, c. f.	2	0	Lewis, l. f.	0	11
Total	21	6	Total	21	77

INNINGS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	
Olympic	1	0	0	1	1	1	2	—6
Irvington	4	7	8	4	16	29	15	—77

Umpire—Mr. STOCKTON, of Active Club, of New-York.
Scorers—Messrs. ELLIOTT and BATCHELOR.

TYPOGRAPHICAL *VS.* JOHN A. GRAY'S COMPOSITORS.

The following is the score of the game played in Brooklyn on Thursday last, between the above-named New-York and Brooklyn Clubs:

TYPOGRAPHICAL.	Outs.	Runs.	JOHN A. GRAY'S.	Outs.	Runs.
Clark, p.	3	5	Powers, p.	2	3
Chadwick, s. s.	2	7	Williams, 1st b.	2	3
Bergen, c.	3	5	Dixon, r. f.	3	2
Hester, 1st bk.	4	6	Dobbs, s. s.	5	1
Gatter, r. f.	1	7	Brown, 3d b.	1	4
Taylor, l. f.	3	6	Cleaveland, c.	2	3
Atkins, 3d b.	1	7	Nelson, c. f.	1	4
Farron, c. f.	2	7	Doyle, 2d b.	3	2
Peil, 3d b.	3	4	Hill, l. f.	3	3
Total	21	54	Total	21	25

INNINGS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	
Typographical	6	0	12	15	4	6	11	—54
John A. Gray's	5	2	5	4	3	4	2	—25

Umpire—Mr. MCELROY, of the Eagle Club.
Scorers—Messrs. BARNARD and BROWN.
Time of Game—Three hours and forty-five minutes.

Probable Homicide in Jay-street—Ante-Mortem Statement of Mrs. Elizabeth Lang.

On Thursday last MARTIN HULL quarreled with Mrs. ELIZABETH LANG, of No. 12 Jay-street, about the children, and assaulted her with a shovel, and kicked her down a flight of stone steps, as already reported in the TIMES. HULL was subsequently arrested, and taken before Justice HOGAN at the Tombs Police Court, and required to find bail in the sum of $300. Yesterday Mrs. LANG was reported to be in a dying condition, when Coroner NAUMANN proceeded to hold an ante mortem examination. Mrs. LANG made the following statement:

"Last Thursday evening, about 7 o'clock, I was standing on the front cellar steps. I went out to bring my little girl, OLIVE, into the house; while I was standing there a woman living next door came up and began calling me foul names, saying, "I will be the death of you yet," and the like; the only answer I made was "Go away from me;" she went up stairs and brought her husband down; his name is MARTIN HULL. I came up to meet him, and, taking hold of my shoulder said he would kick the guts out of me, and at the same time kicked me in the right side; I fell down the cellar steps; my washerwoman, HENRIETTA KAY, took me up, and then I went again on the sidewalk to get my little girl, and HULL kicked me down again on the sidewalk, striking me three times about my head and face with his fist; my husband then rescued me and took me inside, where I have been in bed ever since; Dr. BRITTON has attended me, and says my situation is very dangerous; I was confined only seven weeks ago.

No more evidence offering, the case was given to the Jury, who found "that ELIZABETH LANG was injured by MARTIN HULL, of No. 10 Jay-street."

The accused was committed to await the result of Mrs. LANG's injuries. She is a native of Ireland, and 33 years of age.

The Weather.

If the present "heated term" continues, it is in serious contemplation by the restaurant-keepers to do their cooking on the sidewalks. The pavements are believed to be sufficiently hot to broil a beefsteak or bake a joint of meat, and thus large amounts of money now expended in coals may be saved.

Nearly all day yesterday the thermometer indicated a temperature above 90°. It is true that a breeze was stirring, but it might have passed over the Great Desert, so hot was it. A large number of persons prudently kept within doors all day, preferring even a close room to braving the sun's rays. We said yesterday that the "heated term" had suddenly come to an end, but it quite as suddenly commenced again. Those icebergs which were to float down from Iceland and cool us off have not yet made their appearance, and we advise our readers not to expect them this season. Miniature bergs in the shape of ice-cream are the only ones likely to be seen in this vicinity until somewhere about next January.

It is a noticeable fact, and one for which we can hardly be sufficiently grateful, that the extreme heat has not produced any great amount of sickness in the Metropolis. The City is said to be cleaner than it ever was before, since it numbered half a million of inhabitants, and it would therefore seem that, in a sanitary point of view, our hot Summers are not to be dreaded, provided we are cleanly withal.

POLICE COURTS.

The Tombs—Before Justice Hogan.

BOTHERING AN OFFICER.

During Saturday afternoon Officer MOLONEY, of the Fifth Precinct, was summoned to arrest a disorderly person in the liquor-store No. 105 North Moore-street. As he was about to do so SAMUEL CUNNINGHAM interfered, and the officer endeavored to arrest him, when CUNNINGHAM struck him on the head, knocking him down. Officer MOLONEY sprang up again and returned the blow with his locust, ultimately succeeding in arresting CUNNINGHAM, but having his uniform torn and losing his shield. The prisoner was held to bail for trial.

PICKPOCKET.

PHILLIP ROTTMAN, of No. 204 Seventh-street, made a complaint against JOSEPH JOHNSON, a boatman, whom he charged with attempting to pick his pocket of $94 in United States Treasury notes. JOHNSON was arrested by Officer KELLY, of the Third Precinct, and committed for trial in default of bail.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

About 1 o'clock yesterday morning CHAS. W. SPENCER, of No. 50 Oak-street, was attacked by a fellow named JAS. MCDERMOTT in Chatham-square, who knocked him down and then attempted to rifle his pockets of a gold watch and chain, worth $250. On SPENCER giving an alarm Officer CHURCHILL ran up and arrested MCDERMOTT, being brought into court the prisoner was held for trial in default of $2,000 bail. He is 29 years of age and a blacksmith.

GRAND LARCENY.

Officer IRISH, of the Twenty-seventh Precinct, arrested EDWARD MARTIN on a charge of having stolen two coats, six pairs of pants and other articles valued at $157, from CLAUS O. APPLEHOFF, of the schooner *Lottie*, at Pier No. 10, East River. When arrested the prisoner confessed his guilt and was committed for trial. The missing property was not recovered.

Essex Market—Before Justice Shandley.

ASSAULT AND BATTERY.

ISAAC HEIDAMAN, residing at No. 217½ Seventh-street, quarrelled yesterday with JOHN SILBERION, in Seventh-street, when SILBERION stabbed ISAAC in the face with a pair of shears, inflicting a serious wound. Officer WATERMAN of the 11th Precinct, arrested the parties, and they were committed for trial. The combatants were only fifteen years of age each.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JULY 14, 1866.

$10,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	108⅛	100 At. Mail S. Co.	113
6,000 U. S. 5-20s C. '62	106⅝	100 do	b10 114
100,000 do	106⅝	200 N. Y. Cen.	90⅝
50,000 U.S. 6s 5-20s C. '65	105⅞	200 do 2d call	⅝60 90⅝
4,500 do	105⅛	1000 Erie R.	74
1,500 U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	96⅝	100 do	74
8,500 do	96⅝	200 do	⅝60 70
1,500 T. Notes, 7 3-10s	98	300 do 2d call	74⅛
First Ser.	103⅝	50 N.Y. & N. H.	112
500 do 2d Ser.	104	100 Mil. & St. P. Pr.	68⅝
500 do	105⅝	3000 Reading R.	109
500 do 3d Ser	104	400 do	109⅛
5,000 N. Y. St. 6s, '72	97⅛	500 do 2d call	109⅝
1,000 N. Y. St. 6s, '73	97⅛	2000 do	110
16,000 N.Y.S.Bs. Bounty Loan	104⅛	100 do ⅝30	110
5,000 Virginia 6s	67	50 Mich. Cen. R.	106
2,000 Tenn. 6s, N.	71	200 Mich. S. & N. I.	81⅝
2 Bk. of Commerce	110	600 do	82
100 Fourth N. Bk.	104	400 do	82⅜
10 Corn Ex. Bk.	120	1000 do	82⅝
29 Bank of New-York	114	300 do ⅝5	82⅜
10 Corn Ex. Bk.	120	1000 do 2d call	83⅛
100 Cum. Coal Pr.	48⅝	200 do ⅝30	83⅛
100 do 2d call	49	200 Cleve. & Tol.	119
200 Canton Co.	32	100 Chi. & R. I.	95⅛
200 Central Coal Co.	48	100 Del., Lack. & W.	150
300 West. U. Tel.	53⅛	1000 Ill. Cen. R.	96⅛
40 do	53⅜	200 P., F. W. & C.	98⅛
200 do	53⅝	100 do	98⅜
50 Ashburton Coal.	14	100 Alt. & T. H.	34

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

200 Cum. Coal.	b10 48⅛	200 Clev. & Pitts.	84⅛
100 West. U. Tel.	53⅛	100 do	b10 84⅛
200 Erie R.	b8 74⅛	200 do	84⅜
100 Chic. & N. W.	34⅝	200 do	s3 85⅛
300 Mariposa Pr.	20	200 do	85⅛
100 West. U. Tel.	53⅛	1600 do	85⅛
100 do	53⅜	400 do	s3 85⅛
100 do	b10 53⅝	200 do	85⅛
100 New-York Cen.	90⅝	500 do	b3 86⅛
100 do	b30 100	400 Clev. & Tol.	110⅞
100 do	b10 90⅞	200 do	b30 111
300 do	b3 90⅞	200 do	b10 111⅛
2200 Erie R.	74⅛	2100 Chi. & N. W.	35⅛
300 do	b30 74⅜	200 do	s30 35⅜
500 do	c 74⅜	200 do	b10 35⅜
400 do	s2 74⅜	400 do	s3 35⅛
200 do	b10 74⅜	1200 do	b3 35⅜
500 do	b3 74⅜	200 do	c 35⅜
500 do	74⅜	200 do	b5 35⅜
500 Reading R.	r-d 110⅛	400 do	35⅜
1500 do	b3 110⅜	200 Chi. & N. W. P.	64
400 do	s30 110⅛	1000 do	64⅛
600 do	s3 110⅛	300 do	s3 64⅜
700 do	b3 110⅛	100 do	b30 64⅜
100 Catawissa R.	79⅛	200 do	s10 64⅜
500 M. So. & N. I.	62	400 do	b3 64⅜
200 do	s3 63	800 P., Ft. W. & C.	r-d 98⅜
600 do	b3 63⅛	100 do	b10 98⅜
1400 do	b3 63⅜	100 do	98⅜
200 do	s10 63⅛	100 do	s15 98⅜
800 do	63⅜	200 Mar. & C. 1st P.	44⅜
500 Chic. & R. I.	125⅛	200 do	b30 44⅜
100 Ill. Cen. R.	125⅛	200 do	s4 44⅜

MONDAY, July 16—A. M.

The preparations for the Fall Trade, and the preliminary sales of Foreign Dry Goods

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, MONDAY, JULY 16, 1866.

Amusements this Evening.

WINTER GARDEN,
Broadway, between Bleecker and Amity sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, COLUMBUS RECONSTRUCTED. Principal characters by John Brougham and Miss Emily Melville.

NIBLO'S GARDEN,
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, Italian Opera—ERNANI. Characters by Mme. Angiolina Ghioni, Signors Limperti, Marra, Susini and the Company.

WALLACK'S THEATRE,
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, IRELAND AS IT WAS and HANDY ANDY Characters by Dan Bryant, and members of the company.

OLYMPIC THEATRE,
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, THE OCTOROON. Mrs. Emily Jordan, Miss Kate Newton, Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. Bland; Messrs. Frank Lawlor, Geo. H. Clarke, and others.

FOX'S OLD BOWERY THEATRE,
Bowery, between Bayard and Canal-sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, BURLESQUE OPERA TROUPE. BURLESQUES, FARCES, SONGS AND DANCES.

NEW BOWERY THEATRE,
Bowery, between Canal and Hester sts.
THIS EVENING, THE BUISLAY FAMILY. Cast by the company.

BARNUM'S NEW MUSEUM,
Broadway, between Spring and Prince sts.
AFTERNOON, at 3; EVENING, at 7½, G. L. FOX'S COMBINATION PANTOMIME COMPANY, the gorgeous Pantomime of JACK AND GILL. Carolina Twins, Dwarfs, Giantess, Fat Boy, 100,000 Curiosities.

TERRACE GARDEN,
3d-av., between 58th and 59th sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, THEODORE THOMAS' POPULAR ORCHESTRAL CONCERT.

To Advertisers.

Advertisers in the TIMES are requested to bring in their notices at as early an hour in the day as possible. If received after 8½ o'clock, it will be impossible to classify them under their proper heads.

Terms of the New-York Times.
MAIL SUBSCRIBERS.

The DAILY TIMES, per annum.....$10
The DAILY TIMES (Sunday Edition included).....$12
The SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES, one year.....$3
The WEEKLY TIMES, one year.....$2

These prices are invariable. Club rates are discontinued. We have no traveling agents. Remit in Checks or Post-office Money Orders if possible.

Address
H. J. RAYMOND & CO.,
TIMES Office, New-York.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The *America* at this port and the *Nova Scotian* at Father Point, we have four days later news from Europe. The war intelligence is highly important. The Austrians have suffered severe reverses in Bohemia, and Gen. BENEDEK has been compelled to fall back behind the Elbe. A great battle took place on the 3d, near Sudowa, resulting in the complete defeat of the Austrians. In consequence of these disasters, an armistice has been proposed, but it was not known whether Prussia and Italy would accede to it. In commercial circles in London it was thought that peace would be concluded in a short time. Austria has agreed to cede Venetia to NAPOLEON and accept his mediation.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate on Saturday the joint resolution of the House respecting bounties to colored soldiers was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. WILSON, was recommitted to the Military Committee. On motion of Mr. WILSON the bill to equalize bounties was made the special order for Tuesday. The House resolution for the appointment of a Joint Committee of two Senators and three Representatives on the subject of retrenchment, to sit during the recess of Congress, was adopted. The resolution was amended so as to apply to the military and naval, as well as to the civil service of the Government. A provision was inserted that the Committee inquire into the expediency of so changing the method of appointments to civil service, as to put them beyond the power of being used for party purposes, provide for the retention of appointees during good behavior, &c. Mr. JOHNSON offerred a bill for the relief of the sufferers of the Portland fire. It authorizes the President to expend a sum not exceeding $50,000 for this purpose. The Mineral Springs Bill and the Northern Pacific Railroad Bill were taken up but no action reached.

In the House the consideration of the Senate Bill to authorize the construction of bridges over the Mississippi for railroad purposes was resumed and the bill was passed. The House then proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Select Committee in the case of the breach of privilege charged against Mr. ROUSSEAU in assaulting Mr. GRINNELL for words spoken in debate. Majority and minority reports were presented, but no action was taken. Mr. NIBLACK, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported a bill to provide for and to regulate the compensation of Senators, Representatives and Delegates in Congress. The bill fixes the compensation at $8,000 for each Congress, and mileage at the rate of 10 cents per mile. The President of the Senate is to have the same compensation as the Vice-President of the United States, and the Speaker is to have double the compensation of members, except as to mileage, which is to be the same. In case of the death of a member his representatives are to receive at the rate of $4,000 per annum from the date of the commencement of Congress up to the time of death, and his successor is to be paid from that day. The bill is to apply to the members of the present Congress from the 4th of March, 1865, except as to mileage. Mr. SHELLABARGER, from the Special Committee on charges against Mr. CONKLING, reported in part. The report completely exonerates Mr. CONKLING and brands the statement in Gen. FRY's letter as not only unfounded in fact but maliciously untrue.

GENERAL NEWS.

It is said that the feeling between the partisans of the Methodist Church North, in Maryland, as represented by the Baltimore Conference, and people of the Southern congregations, is not as peaceful as is required by the teachings of the Scriptures. Last week a certain Mr. SOPER, a partisan of the Church North, took possession of the meeting-house at Clarksburgh, Md., before the time of service, to keep it for Mr. HOBBS and his party. He barred the door to keep out the enemy; but a member of the other side, Mr. LEWIS, got in by the window, led SOPER to the door, and aided his exit in a very summary manner.

The twenty-second annual meeting of the New-York State Teachers' Association will be held at Geneva, commencing at 4 o'clock P. M., on Tuesday, July 31. The session will continue until Thursday evening. The exercises will include addresses by Hon. J. C. FOLGER, Prof. ARCY, President JACKSON and others; discussions, essays, vocal music, sociable, &c. The hotel charge for gentlemen is not to exceed $2 per day, and ladies will be entertained free by citizens. An excursion on Seneca Lake is proposed for Friday, and a visit to Freer's Glen, at Watkins.

A correspondent of the *Wisconsin*, writing from Green Bay, near which the remnant of the old Stockbridge tribe of Indians resides, says that they are fast fading away. They pretend to be civilized, and do something in the way of cultivating their lands, but they are improvident to such an extent as to sell their seed in the Fall, and purchase or beg food in the Spring. Whisky is the great bane which surrounds them, and many of the young "braves" particularly are demoralized whenever they can find the "fire-water."

Information has been received from Mare Island Navy-yard, that SAMUEL WELLES, Constructing Engineer of that yard, was fatally injured on the 10th inst., by the explosion of the boiler of a portable steam engine for driving spiles, and died at 7 P. M. of that day. He was a nephew of honorable Secretary of the Navy, and was, previous to going to California, stationed at the Washington Navy-yard. He was on the point of returning east to be married when the melancholy event occurred.

ELMORE A. STUDLEY, a clerk in the post-office at New-Bedford, Mass., for the past two years, has been arrested, charged with robbing the mails. He confessed his guilt. He began by stealing letters mailed in that city to managers of various lotteries and gift enterprises, thinking, as he said, that he might as well have the money as the New-York sharpers.

The Richmond papers report that JOHN B. TUCKER, formerly Commodore in the Rebel Navy, together with Capt. MCCORKLE and Lieut. WALTER B. BUTT, have reached the city of Lima, in Peru. TUCKER is to be made Rear Admiral of the Peruvian Navy, and to command the fleet, and Lieut. BUTT is to be his flag officer.

The Montreal *Gazette*, recalling the fact that fourteen years ago Portland sent generous gifts to relieve sufferers by the great fire in Montreal, says: "Taught by our own misfortunes let us learn to succor the unfortunate, and the more so when we owe them a debt of gratitude." In response to this appeal, handsome sums are being collected.

The House of the Tennessee Legislature had not, at last advices, secured a quorum. Capt. HEYDT, specially detailed to arrest the nine refractory members, under a warrant from the Speaker, reported only one of them, OVERSTREET, of Overton, could be found. This gentleman he produced.

The Indian Council at Fort Laramie has broken up, the Indians refusing to make peace except upon their own terms. The council, after an enormous expense to the Government, has ended with no beneficial results.

A correspondent of the Milwaukee *News* says that Minnesota is about to yield another of her bountiful harvests. People only fear now that the wheat crop will be too luxuriant. I have known as much as fifty-five bushels to the acre raised here.

Boring at the Ballston oil well has now reached a fine sand-rock, at a depth of nearly 650 feet. Last week the well overflowed with mineral water, said to be of excellent quality.

Gen. HENRY A. WISE was advertised to deliver a lecture at the opera-house in Norfolk on Saturday evening. His subject was "The Repairs of Southern Churches."

A claim against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, of $20,000, has been awarded to J. F. HARRIS, for having his leg broken in a collision occurring during the war.

The Catholic Convent, an extensive institution situated back of the Clifton House, in Canada, near Niagara Falls, was totally destroyed by fire on Friday night.

There is great excitement in Chicago over the proposed disposition of the opera-house by lottery, and tickets at $5 each, are rapidly being disposed of.

LEONARD WOODS, D. D., the President of Bowdoin College for thirty years past, announces his intention to resign at the approaching commencement.

The new Insane Asylum of Minnesota is to be located at St. Peter.

LOCAL NEWS.

In the case of GEORGE W. CHADWICK and SAMUEL JACKSON, charged with defrauding GEORGE W. HOYER, by means of worthless checks, Justice DODGE decided to admit the prisoners to bail in the sum of $2,500 each. It is expected that numerous additional complaints will be made against them to-day.

More than a thousand dram-shops were open in this City and Brooklyn yesterdry. Little strong drink was consumed, the bibulous public confining itself almost exclusively lager-beer. There was, consequently, little drunkenness, and no riotous demonstration whatever.

Three authenticated cases of cholera were reported by the Board of Health's bulletin in this City yesterday. Several cases of supposed cholera were reported by the Police Telegraph last evening.

The total amount of contributions for the relief of the sufferers by the Portland fire, in this City and Brooklyn, now amounts to $101,347 14.

The purser of the steamer *Gen. Barnes* will accept our acknowledgments for late Savannah papers.

Gold was steady on Saturday. Government Stocks firm, and the Railway speculation buoyant.

A restricted business was reported in Produce and Merchandise on Saturday at drooping prices. Freights were quiet, with 618 vessels of all classes in port.

Probable Close of the War in Europe.

The *Nova Scotian* at Father Point brings the highly important intelligence that a great battle took place on the 3d inst. near Sudowa, which resulted in the complete and decisive defeat of the Austrian army. In consequence of this disaster, following so close upon previous reverses, Gen. BENEDEK sent a flag of truce to the Prussian headquarters, requesting an armistice. It is stated that Austria has offered to cede Venetia to NAPOLEON, and that the French Emperor has undertaken the work of mediation.

This probably closes the war, but perhaps upon less favorable terms for Austria than she could have obtained from a conference before engaging in hostilities.

The "World" and Mr. Raymond.

The *World* of Friday last devoted a column of its space to an intemperate denunciation of Mr. RAYMOND, one of the City members of Congress, based upon his reported action in a caucus of Union members held on the Wednesday evening previous. After a formal concession that, as the proceedings of the caucus were held under a seal of secrecy and there could be no authentic or reliable report of Mr. RAYMOND's action, the *World* proceeds to say:

"Whatever may have been the precise language Mr. RAYMOND used, *there can be no doubt that he expressed regret for the support he has given to the Philadelphia Convention, and abjured it for the future.* We should be slow to believe this, even of Mr. RAYMOND, on any hearsay report of his remarks, if the unanimous *vote* taken in the caucus did not preclude all doubt. A resolution was proposed binding the Republican members of Congress to discountenance the Philadelphia Convention, *and Mr. Raymond, like all the rest, voted* AYE! Thus his faith as a party man and his honor as a gentleman were pledged to oppose a movement of which, up to that hour, he had been the most prominent advocate, patron and promoter." And upon this assumption the *World* deals out to Mr. RAYMOND a column of vilification, which would be simple personal scurrility if it were not intensified by a reckless and unscrupulous political hatred.

We have very little to say in reply to it. The fact that the proceedings of the caucus were secret and that Mr. RAYMOND, being a member of the caucus, was precluded from speaking even of his own action in it, has given full license to the *World*, in common with the *Tribune*, to indulge its chronic and envenomed proclivity to traduce and malign Mr. RAYMOND with complete impunity; and both these journals have been very prompt in availing themselves of it.

It will be seen that the injunction of secrecy has been removed, and we are accordingly at liberty to brand the assertions of the *World*, in regard to Mr. RAYMOND's action, as utterly false. Mr. RAYMOND did not "express regret for the support he has given to the Philadelphia Convention," nor did he "abjure it for the future." Nor did he vote "*Aye*" on the adoption of the resolution offered by Mr. STEVENS, "binding Republican members of Congress to discountenance" that Convention, and excluding from the Union Party all who should favor it. Having stated in debate that the resolution was evidently aimed at him personally, and feeling, as every one else must have seen, that it would be neither delicate nor proper for him to vote upon it, Mr. RAYMOND declined to vote at all. The *World* may not appreciate his motive, or share his opinion, in regard to this point; this is a matter of taste. But that journal had not the shadow of warrant or excuse for its explicit and peremptory assertion that Mr. RAYMOND voted *Aye* on the resolution referred to. This assertion was a clear and intentional falsehood—invented by somebody for the purpose of placing Mr. RAYMOND in a false position, and used by the *World* to reinforce and confirm its steady and malicious villification of a political opponent who is also guilty of the heinous offence of being a rival journalist.

What Mr. RAYMOND did say at the caucus referred to, in regard to the Philadelphia Convention, will be found in the record of its proceedings which we publish in another column. It probably would have been considered of little consequence but for the concerted attempt of the New-York journals, which felt under no obligation to respect the injunctions of the caucus against the publication of its proceedings, to place Mr. RAYMOND in a false and injurious political position. Mr. R. was charged in the Caucus with favoring the Philadelphia Convention for the purpose of breaking up the Union Party and bringing "rebels and Copperheads" into power. This imputation Mr. RAYMOND met by a distinct and indignant denial. He declared that the support he had given the Convention rested on the belief that, in proper hands and wisely conducted, it would liberalize, nationalize and perpetuate the organization and principles of the Union Party. This was his belief. He might be mistaken in it; but so long as he saw no reason to change it, he claimed the right to act upon it, and denied the right of the caucus, or of anybody else but his constituents and the Union National Convention, to read him out of the Union Party. Whenever he did see reason to change his opinion of the action and effect of that Convention, he should act accordingly.

Mr. RAYMOND could scarcely expect this to meet the political convenience and approbation of the *World*. But whether there is anything in it to warrant the charge of inconsistency, which the Press is so fond of hurling against him, or to justify the extraordinary diatribe based by the *World* on its own mendacity, he is quite willing to leave to the public judgment.

The New Tory Ministry in England.

After a laborious and continued effort, extending over nearly two full weeks, Lord DERBY has made up a Cabinet, which has received the formal approval of the Queen. The labor seems to have been completed on the eve of the Fourth of July. But as the marriage of the Princess HELENA was about to be solemnized, the grace of representing ministerial authority on that auspicious occasion was to remain with Lord RUSSELL and his colleagues; the new Ministry coming into formal possession of office, on Friday the 6th of July.

There is a stick or so of new timber in this Tory Cabinet; but it is, after all, as purely a Tory concern as it could well be. Two of Lord DERBY's old colleagues are missing in the arrangement—Sir BULWER LYTTON and Mr. HENLEY—both admirable administrators. Lord CARNARVON, formerly a subordinate of Sir BULWER's in the Colonial Office, succeeds to the Chief Secretaryship in that department, and Mr. GATHORNE HARDY, the successor of Mr. GLADSTONE, at Oxford, comes into office, for the first time, as the Head of the Poor Law Board, where Mr. HENLEY used to preside.

The Duke of Buckingham, better known as the Marquis of Chandos in the Commons, gets the post of President of the Council, and Sir STAFFORD NORTHCOTE goes to the Board of Trade. Another of the younger Tory scions looms up as Secretary of State for India, in the person of Lord CRANBORNE, a bitter writer for the *Quarterly* and other Tory organs. The list, then, with the changes we have noted, stands about as follows:

Premier—Lord DERBY.
Chancellor of the Exchequer—Mr. DISRAELI.
Foreign Secretary—Lord STANLEY.
Home Secretary—Mr. WALPOLE.
Colonial Secretary—Lord CARNARVON.
Secretary for India—Lord CRANBORNE.
Secretary of War—Gen. PEEL.
First Lord of the Admiralty—Sir JOHN PAKINGTON.
President of the Council—Duke of BUCKINGHAM.
Privy Seal—*Lord Malmesbury.*
Lord Chancellor—Lord CHELMSFORD.
Lord Lieutenant of Ireland—Marquis of Abercorn.
President of Board of Trade—Sir STAFFORD NORTHCOTE.
President of Poor Law Board—Mr. HARDY.

There are one or two minor offices not yet reported filled. But the principal seats are to be occupied, as we see, by men who have no sympathy whatever with Reform, and whose term of office can be extended or shortened at the pleasure of those they have displaced. Their temporary success will lie mainly in a steady resolution to do nothing. With this in view, they have put the most cautious and painstaking man of the lot—Lord STANLEY—into the Foreign Office. And it is possible enough they may get through the remainder of the session with comparative ease. No one expects them to bring in a Reform Bill; and if they steer clear of foreign complications, they can reckon on at least a six months' lease of power.

The Radicals in Congress—What have they Done? What Gained?

The wise men of Washington grow weary of their labors. Despite the frantic appeals of those who seem to fear a recess as a child fears darkness, the end of the session approaches apace. Hot weather has come, providentially, to upset the proposal of the ultra of the ultraists, in regard to a permanent session, and there is a likelihood that in little more than a week hence the legislators of the nation will have departed for their homes. The frenzy of the Forney tribe must give way to the vicissitudes of Nature and the political necessities of members who have yet to engineer their reëlection.

The excitement of the closing days of a session hardly admits of calm reflection. There are intrigues on the floor, intrigues in the lobby, intrigues in the caucus—intrigue and bustle everywhere. The present has more calls than moments, and the future looms up so largely that the conscience has little chance of squaring accounts with the past.

Away from Washington, the case will be different. Brought face to face with their constituents, members will be unable to escape the reckoning that awaits them. Sins of omission and sins of commission will rise in judgment against them. Catechism and commentary will run close together, and the gratitude which means a lively sense of favors to come will suggest more candid confessions than have been looked for in the columns of the *Congressional Globe*.

And how will the account appear? To answer the inquiry we must see how the account stood when the balance was last struck, just before the opening of the Capitol doors in December. The war had then been ended some months, and the country was congratulating itself upon the early consummation of the work of restoration. Much had been already done and gained. The policy indicated by Mr. LINCOLN had been adhered to by his successor with the happiest results. The terms dictated by President JOHNSON had been acceded to by nearly all the conquered States, if not with alacrity at least with a completeness and an apparent sincerity that left little to be desired. It was felt that the States so lately in rebellion, having given the required guarantees of future loyalty, only awaited the friendly action of Congress to resume their old privileges in the Union. The restoration of the Union was held to be an accomplished fact, so far as the power of the Executive could accomplish it; and the great majority of the American people were hearty in their approval of the President's course, as sound and patriotic in principle and as affording evidence of sagacity and success in its application. It was expected that with the assembling of Congress would come the full and final process of restoration—the recognition of loyal Senators and Representatives from the South, and the spectacle of a reunited nation legislating constitutionally for the common interest of every part.

In December, then, the balance was largely in favor of the President and against Congress. The member who seeks reëlection, therefore, must be prepared to show to what extent the balance has been adjusted, or, if not adjusted, why. And the catechizing will be sensible and sharp. Is the work of restoration one iota nearer completion than when it passed from the hands of the President more than seven months ago? Has Congress done a single thing to advance or complete it? Instead of furthering the work, has not Congress obstructed it? Has it not evaded the question of Southern representation, and rudely repulsed Southern senators and members of unquestioned fitness? Has it not shirked its constitutional duty by referring the subject to a joint committee, appointed for purposes which each House was bound itself to fulfill? Has not the labor of this Committee been abortive, amounting to no more than the preparation of a Constitutional amendment, which passed only after vital modification, with but a slight probability of ratification by the States whose consent is essential to its validity? Another interrogatory will cover the case. Is not the prospect of a restoration more gloomy than it was seven months ago; and is not this unfortunate change attributable solely and entirely to the refusal or failure of Congress to perfect the task begun by Mr. LINCOLN, and carried forward by President JOHNSON?

There is, perhaps, a ready answer. The questioned may say to his questioners that Congress has a policy of its own, differing radically from the policy of the dead and the living President; and that Congress has preferred adhesion to its own policy to the completion of that which was initiated and applied successfully by another. The common sense which prompted the former set of queries may be expected to originate others, suggested by the member's response. Let us see how they will improve the matter. Thus: Since Congress has obstructed the President's policy, what has Congress done that the country should applaud its policy? It objected to the President's plan of restoration: what feasible plan has been substituted? What step of any kind has Congress taken in the direction of restoration? It resists the application of President JOHNSON's principles: to what other principles has it given effect? It asserts that the States which GRANT, and SHERMAN, and SHERIDAN and THOMAS restored to the Union, and which the President has treated as in the Union, are really still out of the Union: has it passed any measure dealing with them as territories? Has it thrown into the form of law any one of the purposes which its leaders have avowed, or given any sign of carrying out what is represented as its will? Has it enacted the punishment of the Southern people? Has it provided for the confiscation of Southern property? Has it conferred upon the negro the right of suffrage? These are all Radical ideas—all parts of the great Radical plan, which members of the House will tell their constituents has been deemed preferable to the President's plan. But the difference between them is this: The President's plan, whatever are its defects, is practical; he has applied it practically and with good results; while the Radical plan is impracticable, and has amounted to nothing, except as an obstruction. The inquiring citizen will, then, complete his catechism by asking: If the majority in Congress were resolved to hinder and cripple the President's scheme of restoration, were they not in duty bound to commit themselves definitely to some counter-scheme? Having evaded this duty, must not the inference be that the Radical policy has been a failure, and that the session has been an occasion of disappointment, and sorrow, and shame to those who have struggled, and waited, and hoped for the restoration of the Union?

AMALGAMATION IN NASHVILLE.—The *Tribune* says:

"The Rev. NELSON MERRY, a freedman, Pastor of the Colored Baptist Church, in Nashville, Tenn., on the 26th ult., married WILLIAM A. JOHNSON (white) to JOSEPHINE MCCONICO (colored,) wherefore, Mr. MERRY is arrested and is to be fined $500; while the husband and wife, not having $50 each to pay the fine imposed on them, are in prison. We trust this case is to be taken up by the United States Supreme Court for adjudication under the Civil Rights Act. Let us know if, in the State where the unmarried cohabitation of whites with blacks is notoriously frequent and scarcely censured, their marriage can thus be punished."

This touches the *Tribune* on the *raw*. Social equality between whites and blacks is the mission of that journal. Whoever hinders or obstructs the marriage of a negro with a white woman, or a white woman with a negro, incurs its denunciation.

SHERMAN AMONG THE PROPHETS.—Gen. SHERMAN, in his tour through the country, is delivering a series of speeches—if so we may designate the rambling remarks he makes at various points and before various audiences, about himself and his exploits, about the weather and its "blazing" character, about the past, present and future. On Friday last he held forth to the Yale students, giving them various items of advice concerning study and digestion, and after promising luck to all who followed his counsels, he added: "As you go out into life you will find opportunities enough to stand up for the old flag—you may even have a chance to fight for it. I tell you that *before you pass from the stage there will be fighting, in comparison with which mine will seem slight*, and I have had enough." Now, it is certainly within the range of possibility that the present generation of Americans may yet have fearful fighting to do, and may be fated to wage war after such terrible style. But *how* does Gen. SHERMAN know it? And if he really foresees coming events as clearly as his words indicate, could he not oblige us by adding a few prophecies to the very unsatisfactory one in which he announces the coming war? *Who* is it the American people are to fight with? Are they to fight among themselves again? or is the coming war which SHERMAN prophecies the same as that which has just been predicted in Europe by the celebrated MICHEL CHEVALIER—a war in which American democracy is to be arrayed against the combined kings and tyrants of the European continent. And will he tell us at the same time who will *win* in the war, whether it be civil or foreign? We should really like to know these things; and it can be no harder for the distiguished General to give us definite information concerning them in advance, than it was for him to tell us the things he did. Whatever may be SHERMAN's merits as a soldier, however, we must be permitted at present to doubt his reliability as a prophet; for it was less than a twelvemonth before the close of our late war that he put upon record his solemn prediction that it would take us twenty years of bloody fighting to conquer the South.

PROGRESS, with the Abolition leaders means, first, EMANCIPATION; next, SUFFRAGE, and finally, AMALGAMATION. The first step cost more blood and treasure than any nation ever shed and expended in any one war. While the struggle for Suffrage and Amalgamation is progressing, the emancipated negro will perish.

FAIR PLAY.—Was it frank, fair or manly to ask the Southern States to ratify the Constitutional Amendments abolishing Slavery, if we intended, after they accepted that condition, to keep them out of the Union?

THE GOVERNMENT AND UNION.—The people devoted three thousand millions of dollars and half a million of lives to keep States in the Union. Congress has consumed eight months and other millions to keep such States *out* of the Union.

WHY?—Why, if we are to remain enemies, did we stop the war? While our armies were in the field we could have completed the subjugation of the South.

Amusements.

The "heated term" seems to have no other effect upon our theatrical managers than that of slightly modifying their mania for variety. Instead of wildly rushing about like waiters at a state dinner, whisking away every dainty dish to make room for another, just as people begin to relish it, they are content to secure a good thing, and then let it "run" for a while.

So, by way of Summer amusement, Mr. DAN BRYANT continues to Hibernate in Irish comedy at WALLACK'S, giving to-night "Ireland as it Was," and the ever comical "Handy Andy." At the Olympic we are to have three more nights of the "Octoroon," in which MORDAUNT's fierce and reckless *Overseer* and STUDLEY's stealthy *Indian*, are undoubtedly the finest characterizations. The old favorite, JOHN BROUGHAM, still enlivens the Winter Garden with his extravaganza of "Columbus Reconstructed," of whom we need say nothing, (meaning either BROUGHAM or "Columbus.") The great BARNUM takes care of the little folks every afternoon, and children of a larger growth in the evening with "Jack and Gill," as portrayed by FOX's pantomimists. At the New Bowery the athletic BUISLAYS perform their aerial wonders; while the Old Bowery is, for the time, given up to Sandford's Minstrels. Perhaps one of the most interesting experiments is the revival of "Ernani" to-night by Signor MUZIO's Italian Opera Troupe, involving, as it does, the two new aspirants for popular favor, Mme. GHIONI and Signor LIMPERTI, together with Signor MARRA, a pleasing baritone, and our old friend SUSINI, who can never need introduction in America.

But of this we shall write more fully hereafter. Happily the general style of the "amusement" provender is light and fit for Summer diet. Partake and enjoy it; laugh, but, in this weather, *don't* grow fat.

LOUISIANA.

The Philadelphia Convention—Action of the Baptist Convention—The Revenue Cutter Delaware.

NEW-ORLEANS, Saturday, July 14.

The appointment of delegates to the Philadelphia Convention has been deferred until next week.

The Baptist Convention of Louisiana has taken decided steps to educate the orphan children of soldiers.

The revenue cutter *Delaware* has arrived at Galveston. It was saluted and visited by the Spanish Consul.

MASSACHUSETTS.

General Sherman in Boston.

BOSTON, Sunday, July 15.

Last evening at the Revere House Gen. SHERMAN was serenaded by the band of the Thirty-Third Massachusetts Regiment, and subsequently addressed the surviving officers and men of the Thirty-Third and Second Regiments, who served under him on the march through Georgia. A large number of the veterans and a great crowd of citizens were present, and the demonstration was most enthusiastic.

Gen. SHERMAN passed the day quietly at the house of a relative. He leaves to-morrow morning for Hanover, N. H.

From San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Thursday, July 12.

The boiler of a steam pile-driver in the Mare Island Navy-Yard exploded on Tuesday, killing Mr. WELLES, civil engineer, and wounding several others. Mr. WELLES was a nephew of the Secretary of the Navy.

The money market is getting easy. Nine thousand ounces, chiefly of Boise and Montana dust and nuggets, were deposited in the Mint yesterday.

The quantity of coffee imported here during the last six months, as compared with the same period last year, shows an increase of 3,800,000 pounds. The importation of tea has fallen about 26,000 pounds.

The ship *Nightingale*, Capt. SCAMMON, sailed yesterday for the Russian possessions, carrying provisions and cargo for the Collins Telegraph Expedition.

Arrived, ship *Carl Stemmers*, from Hamburg.

Thirty-one hundred and eighty-seven bags of Hawaiian sugar were sold to-day; light grades showed an improvement of ¼c. per pound.

After a suspension of three months the Clinton Cotton Mills, opposite San Francisco, has resumed work.

Transactions in mining shares are small; Imperial, $102; Ophir, $235; Yellow Jacket, $600; Savage, $850; Legal Tenders 71¼.

From Fortress Monroe.

FORTRESS MONROE, Friday, July 13.

The schooner *Rebecca Secor*, from Baltimore for the West Indies, went ashore at Windmill Point, in the Chesapeake Bay. Her Captain is lightening her by throwing her cargo overboard.

The United States gunboat *Resaca*, on her way from Washington, D. C., to Portsmouth, N. H., to be fitted out, broke some of her machinery outside of the Capes this morning, and was towed into the harbor. The damage is slight.

The United States gunboat *Saco* left to-day to join the fleet cruising along the coast, with the midshipmen and cadets.

The schooner *Corinne*, Washington, D. C., for Providence, put into Norfolk leaky.

Base Ball—Release of H. C. C. O. I. R. Stephens.

BOSTON, Sunday, July 15.

The base ball match for the championship of Massachusetts was played on Saturday afternoon between the Harvard and Lowell Clubs. The latter won the silver ball and championship, the score standing 37 against 27.

Ball was given for Head Centre STEPHENS late on Saturday night, and he was released from jail.

DROWNED AT THE FULTON FERRY.—At 9:30 o'clock on Saturday night, a boy named JOHN RIONSON, residing with his parents at the corner of Twelfth-street and Sixth-avenue, Brooklyn, walked overboard at the Fulton ferry, and was drowned. His body was recovered.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Full Proceedings of the First Republican Caucus.

Some Hasty Historians Set Right in Their Facts.

What was Said and by Whom of the Philadelphia Convention.

The President Denounced as Great a Traitor as Davis.

A Terrible Time About the Poor Office Holders.

Several Malicious Falsehoods Quietly Exposed.

Proceedings of the Second Caucus on Saturday.

A Sudden and Complete Change of Tone.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, July 15, 1866.

A caucus of Republican members of Congress was held on Wednesday evening in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, Gen. BANKS, of Massachusetts, was elected Chairman, and Mr. FERRY, of Michigan, Secretary. The caucus, so far as the House was concerned, was quite full, but only eight Senators were present.

Mr. HOTCHKISS, of New-York, said that the meeting was called at the request of himself and others, and its object was to have an interchange of views as to the best course to be pursued in regard to the rumored removal of office-holders by the President. He had no doubt that such removal was intended as soon as Congress should adjourn, and in his own State a licensed "head butcher" had already been appointed, and stood at the door ready to strike. He deemed it the duty of Congress to stand by its friends, and to make any sacrifice necessary to keep them in office. He thought Congress should remain in session so as to prevent removals.

A motion was put and carried that no member should speak more than five minutes, nor more than once.

Mr. COBB, of Wisconsin, offered a resolution, declaring every one present to be in honor bound to act in Congress and elsewhere in accordance with the decisions of the caucus—but this was voted down. A resolution of secrecy was adopted, on motion of Mr. COBB.

Mr. ASHLEY, of Ohio, expressed his concurrence with what had been said of the necessity of taking some action on the subject of removals. He thought Congress should take a recess, instead of adjourning.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, of Illinois, then offered a resolution, declaring that Congress would remain in session until December. He said that any party that would not stand by its friends ought to go down, and we must stand by the men now in office. He thought, too, it might be necessary for Congress to take other action before next session to prevent the accomplishment of schemes to restore the rebels to power. He believed the President was a traitor to the party and the country, and that he was ready for any measure, however desperate, which would put the Government into the hands of the rebels. What his schemes were he did not know, but he had been told on high authority that Mr. SEWARD had said that this Congress would never meet again until the Southern States were restored to (all) their rights, of representation in Congress.

Mr. HALE, of New-York, asked for his authority for this statement.

Mr. FARNSWORTH replied that he had heard it from several parties. On being pressed for some authority, he said he should not give it, and several members around said, "don't give it." Mr. WILSON, of Iowa, saying he had no doubt Mr. SEWARD had said it.

Mr. HALE said, in the absence of any authority he did not believe Mr. SEWARD had ever said anything of the kind.

Mr. SHELLABARGER, of Ohio, concurred in the necessity of taking precautions, but he was not certain as to the best way of doing it. He offered a substitute for Mr. FARNSWORTH's resolution, appointing a committee of five, (afterwards increased to nine, three of the Senate and six of the House,) to report on the subject at a future caucus.

Mr. GARFIELD, of Ohio, indorsed what had been said about the treachery of the President, and the necessity of adopting some measures of prevention. But he thought it important that members should go home and fight out the battle before the people. The Cabinet, he was happy to say, was already broken up. He was glad to announce that Postmaster-General DENISON had resigned and would have nothing more to do with the Administration, and he hoped that other members of the Cabinet would follow his example. He thought they should strip to the waist and fight the battle out on this line.

Mr. BOUTWELL, of Massachusetts, said he thought we would be obliged to do a great many other things to save the country from the danger that threatened it. He believed it to be beyond all doubt that a conspiracy was on foot to put the Government into the hands of rebels, and the President was a party to it. He had no doubt they contemplated a *resort to force*, because it was in the logic of events that they should do so. He believed ANDREW JOHNSON to be just as thoroughly a traitor as JEFF. DAVIS, and that nothing could save the country from destruction but the most prompt and effective preparations for every emergency. He believed an attempt would be made to force the rebels into Congress, and the Philadelphia Convention was part of the scheme. The battle, in effect, had already begun, and if resistance was not made, the President would take possession of the Capitol. Any such attempt must and would be resisted by force. (Mr. BOUTWELL's remarks were loudly applauded.)

Mr. HARDING, of Illinois, doubted the wisdom of going to the people on such an issue. He was in favor of taking precautions against the President, but he did not wish it understood that the Union Party made the holding of office so important a consideration as the action proposed would make it.

Mr. INGERSOLL, of Illinois, denounced President JOHNSON as a traitor—a madman—in league with rebels and Copperheads, and insisted on measures of precaution against his schemes. He said he had no personal interest or feeling in the matter. He had fought out his battle with the President, and had won it. But he would as soon trust a bull in a china shop as ANDREW JOHNSON in possession of power.

Mr. KELLEY, of Pennsylvania, said "Amen" to Mr. BOUTWELL, and said that many as were the letters he received from his constituents on the tariff, they were few in number compared with those he received entreating him to stand by Congress in its measures for the salvation of the country. He denounced the Philadelphia Convention as a conspiracy of traitors, and said he believed the President had got it up for the purpose of destroying the Union Party, and of putting rebels and Copperheads into power. The rebel newspapers North and South were in favor of it for that reason. The New-York *News* and *World* advocated it as a means of destroying the Union Party and restoring the rebels to power, and the NEW-YORK TIMES, although it had not yet gone quite so far as this, also upheld and favored the Convention. The President, as is well known, regards every bill passed by Congress, while eleven States are unrepresented, as null and void, so that nothing about of the admission of the rebel members will satisfy him.

Mr. RAYMOND, of New-York, said Mr. KELLEY had not the shadow of a right to attribute to the TIMES any such purpose or motive as breaking up the Union Party. His insinuation to that effect was utterly untrue, and was the most unmanly way of making an injurious and unjust charge. He had his own views of the objects to be accomplished by the Convention, and he had not, thus far, concurred in the views expressed by those around him. He believed that, properly managed, the Convention would strengthen the Union Party, instead of destroying it. So long as he had reason to think so, he should continue to advocate it. Whenever he saw reason to believe that it was to be used to destroy the Union Party, neither the TIMES nor its Editor would support it. As to the gentleman's assertion that the President regards everything Congress has done in the absence of eleven States as null and void, I beg to ask him how he reconciles that statement with the fact that the President has signed nearly every bill Congress has passed?

Mr. KELLEY—That is one of the President's many inconsistencies.

Mr. KASSON, of Iowa, favored Mr. SHELLABARGER's substitute, though he did not concur in some of the views expressed. He feared that the Union Party would be weakened, rather than aided, by the measures proposed to be taken.

Mr. HOTCHKISS, of New-York, and Mr. HUBBARD, of Connecticut, spoke in advocacy of the resolution and in denunciation of the President.

The resolution of Mr. SHELLABARGER was then adopted.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, offered a resolution declaring it to be the duty of every Union man to denounce the Philadelphia Convention and render it odious to the people. He said he wanted the lines distinctly drawn between the friends and enemies of the Union cause, and wanted it distinctly understood that no one who favored the Philadelphia Convention could have any fellowship with the Union Party. He did not agree with the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. HARDING,) in his views, but did agree with his colleague (Mr. INGERSOLL.)

Mr. BROMWELL, of Illinois, followed in favor of this resolution—denouncing the President, and saying we ought to revise all the laws under which offices were created which the President can fill—and that salaries should be abol

derstanding that the resolution was partially, at least, aimed at him, stating that he declined to vote at all.

Gen. BANKS then announced the appointment of the Committee of Nine: Senators MORRILL, of Maine; CHANDLER, of Michigan; NYE, of Nevada; and Representatives COLFAX, of Indiana; FARNSWORTH, of Illinois; HOTCHKISS, of New-York; STEVENS, of Pennsylvania; GARFIELD, of Ohio; BOUTWELL, of Massachusetts.

Gov. HAMILTON, of Texas, then addressed the meeting, by its invitation, on motion of Mr. STEVENS, after which the Caucus adjourned, to meet at the call of the Committee.

THE SECOND CAUCUS.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Sunday, July 15.

The proceedings of the caucus of Saturday evening were in striking contrast with those of Wednesday. The temper of the two was radically different. The extreme propositions about sitting all Summer to prevent the President from destroying the country, which were so popular on Wednesday, were received with no favor whatever on Saturday. Members had reflected on the subject, and concluded that it was not worth while to make themselves ridiculous.

The report of the Committee, in spite of the efforts of Speaker COLFAX, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. FARNSWORTH, Mr. HOTCHKISS and others, was summarily set aside, and the caucus resolved, by a vote of 64 to 40, to adjourn on the 23d.

The injunction of secresy was removed from both Caucuses, in order that members might set themselves right against the shameless fabrication and invention of the *Tribune* and *World*. The *Herald* reporter was ejected from his "post of honor" and of duty under a bench in the gallery at about 10 o'clock, so that after that time he was compelled to draw on this imagination for his facts, and he did it. This accounts for his gross misrepresentation of Mr. RAYMOND's remarks.

The tone of the second caucus, as of the first, was one of entire hostility to the President's action.

DETAIL OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY, July 14.

The caucus of the two Houses assembled at the call of the Committee.

Mr. CONKLING of New-York called attention to the fact that in spite of the injunction of secrecy, the proceedings of the last caucus had been published in some of the New-York newspapers, but so inaccurately as to do gross injustice to individual members. He suggested either that the caucus should be open, or that steps be taken to make the injunction of secrecy effective.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, said that the manner in which the proceding of the last caucus was betrayed was known, and he thought it would not occur again. A reporter had followed members and overheard their conversation in the cars, Several members said this was not the way in which the proceedings became public. A reporter had been concealed under the benches of the Reporters' Gallery during part of the evening, but was discovered and ejected about 10 o'clock.

Mr. RAYMOND suggested that the subject be postponed for the present, and that the caucus proceed under the rules adopted at the former meeting.

Messrs. STEVENS and GARFIELD concurred in this, and the Chairmrn called on the Committee appointed on Wednesday for their report.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, of Illinois, said he did not see Senator CHANDLER, who was Chairman of the Committee, present. The Senator was in possession of the report of the Committee, but in his absence he would state its substance. The majority were in favor of continuing the session of Congress, or, if that could not be carried, of the Senate at least through the Summer. They had decided, therefore, not to recommend any time for adjournment.

Mr. BOUTWELL, of Massachusetts, said he thought it very desirable that Congress should continue in session for other reasons than those which had been suggested. He would mention one. A distinguished gentleman from the South was in town, from whom he had learned that the Louisiana Convention would meet on the 30th for the revision of the State Constitution, and that amendments would be adopted disfranchising the rebel and enfranchising the loyal inhabitants without distinction of color. If Congress should be in session when this Constitution should be adopted, it could, in accordance with the precedent established in the Rhode Island case, accept it, and thus give it validity as the Constitution of the State. In the Rhode Island case the Supreme Court decided that it was for Congress to decide which was the Constitutional Government of any State in which doubts existed. If Congress should not be in session, a long time must elapse before action could be taken; the new government of the State might fail to get a foot-hold, and the country would experience a very serious calamity.

Mr. ASHLEY, of Ohio, asked whether the gentleman supposed a new Constitution would be adopted for Louisiana without being submitted to the people of the State.

Mr. BOUTWELL replied that he did not know how that might be. It might, perhaps, be submitted to the loyal people of the State.

Mr. ASHBY said that to wait for the Convention to act and the people to vote would take us over to October at least.

Speaker COLFAX said he would state the condition of the public business. We had still one of the appropriation bills to act upon. The ROUSSEAU and GRINNELL case of privilege was still undecided. The Soldiers' Bounty Bill would come back to us from the Senate. A bill concerning the Judges of the Supreme Court was pending, and there were several other bills of a good deal of importance awaiting action.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, said he was perfectly willing to stay if there was any necessity for it, but it was clear that it was not required by the condition of the public business, as stated by the Speaker. He had known more bills than the Speaker had enumerated passed in a single night. As to the rather wild idea of sitting all summer to prevent the President from ruining the country, he hoped the Caucus would not act upon any such motive. He should propose that the Caucus declare itself ready to adjourn on the 23d.

Mr. WILSON, of Iowa, offered a resolution that Congress meet hereafter at 11 o'clock, and that it is in favor of adjourning on the 23d.

Speaker COLFAX said he had understood from very good authority that the President intended to veto the bill, providing that there should be no new appointment of Judge of the Supreme Court until the number should be less than seven. If he should do, it would be desirable that Congress should wait ten days after the passage of the bill, so as to pass it over the veto.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, said he was willing to remain in session if it would do any good, but he thought we could very easily finish our business, and he was satisfied there was no reason for sitting till December. It was clear that no rebel Congress could be brought into power before next March, when this Congress would expire, but after that he was satisfied that the rebels would be brought in by fair means or foul, but we can do nothing about this until the time comes. It was easy to see, moreover, that the Senate has no intention of prolonging its session. It is daily putting over business of importance to December.

Mr. BROMWELL, of Illinois, thought the question of admitting Tennessee should be disposed of in some way before we adjourned. He was as much opposed to a "hum" Congress as anybody, but we ought to dispose of important public business.

Senator SHERMAN, of Ohio, was satisfied that the Senate could finish its legitimate business in a week, and a majority of that body was clearly opposed to sitting through the Summer for any political purpose. There were two bills of a political character pending. One to prevent removals from office by the President, and the other providing for the admission of Tennessee. For his own part, he would vote to admit the Tennessee members at once, with or without the ratification of the Constitutional amendments. But others do not concur in this. Some insist that the State shall ratify these amendments, and some that they shall become part of the Constitution before the State shall be admitted. One thing, however, is certain, the President is no longer with the Union Party. We must look this fact full in the face. Whatever he can do to destroy it he will do; but in spite of that the Union Party stands firm. In his own State (Ohio) it was never more compact and united than it is to-day. He did not fear anything that the President can do against it, with or without his aid, or that of any who are associated with him. The Union party can maintain its ascendency. He thought Union members were needed at home to attend to the coming elections.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, said he could not agree with the remarks made by many gentlemen, nor could he concur in their views. Whence comes, he asked, this extreme anxiety, this unseemly haste to desert our post and abandon our friends to the tender mercies of the enemy? He was grieved to hear that the Senate, which ought to protect the people against the machinations of the White House, was ready to adjourn. He had hoped that the people would be justified in looking to us as their guardians against the Executive. How far our desertion of our posts would go toward breaking down the Union Party he did not know, but one thing he did know, it would go very far to destroy the confidence of the people in Congress. He thought that if we could not make up our minds to stand to our posts we need not be in haste at any rate to adopt a resolution to adjourn. The people of Pennsylvania think we ought to be slow to adjourn; that we should remain in sessiod as long as there is anything to do, and the longer the better. He did not believe we could do the business before us properly and deliberately in three years. He thought we ought not to think of adjourning until we had passed enabling acts to authorize the rebel States to form constitutions on the principles of universal suffrage and of protecting loyal men, and to enable them to organize State Governments under them. He deemed such a law of far greater importance than all the others that had been mentioned. He hoped gentlemen would not act hastily on the subject of adjournment.

Mr. PRICE, of Iowa, thought it important that members should be at home attending to matters there. Congress can do little, and the President can do nothing to injure the country until this Congress expires. We have no power over the thousands of small office-holders who are really the working politicians. He believed the President to be the vilest man that ever sat in that place, and he would stay here and die, if necessary, to thwart his traitorous schemes; but he did not believe any good could be accomplished by staying.

Mr. SHELLABARGER, of Ohio, regretted the manifest inclination of members to go home speedily, not that he wished them to stay indefinitely, but he did think they should stay until their work was done, and well done. He regretted that he saw no disposition to stay long enough to pass important bills, like the one to take away from the President the power of removal, and to pass them over the veto if they should be vetoed.

Mr. CONKLING, of New-York, thought that whatever Congress does in legislation should be done deliberately and with care; not under whip and spur, as had been suggested by the gentleman from Illinois, Mr. WASHBURN. That was the very worst manner of legislating. He concurred entirely with Mr. STEVENS in this view of the case. He hoped we should not meet at any other than the usual hour; that we stay long enough to do all our business properly, and then adjourn.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, of Illinois, offered a resolution that Congress would not adjourn until a law had been passed restraining the President's power of removal; but the previous question having been demanded by several members, Mr. F.'s resolution was not received.

The demand for the previous question was sustained, and the provisions to meet at 11 o'clock was stricken out.

The resolution to adjourn on the 23d then coming up, Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, moved to lay it on the table. This was lost, and the resolution was then adopted; yeas, 64; nays, 40.

Mr. RAYMOND moved that the injunction of secrecy be removed from the proceedings of both caucuses.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, said he hoped it would be, that the people might see how indifferent Congress was to the public good.

The resolution was then unanimously adopted, and the meeting adjourned.

CONFIRMATION OF MR. RANDALL CONSIDERED CERTAIN.

The nomination of Gov. A. W. RANALL as Postmaster-General, which was sent to the Senate on Saturday afternoon, was not acted upon by the Senate because of the lateness of the hour of reception. There is no doubt that Gov. RANDALL will be promptly confirmed. It is conceded as the rule of the Senate that the appointment of a Cabinet officer shall be almost wholly under the control of the President. The Senate will not interfere with such selection, except upon showing of some glaring objection to the nominee.

The speeches made yesterday when Mr. DENISON parted with the officers and clerks of the Department show that the personal relations between the gentleman designated to succeed him and himself are of the most friendly character, and that each concedes to the other a large degree of private worth and official ability.

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

The various and conflicting reports about the resignation of Attorney-General SPEED, that his letter of resignation has been sent in, &c., appear to have been without foundation. Mr. SPEED had an interview with the President last night with reference to the former's withdrawal from the Cabinet, and a thorough understanding was had as to what would take place. Mr. SPEED will resign—perhaps has already prepared his letter of resignation—but so far as we are enabled to state from authentic information the letter has not yet been formally presented. Mr. SPEED gives the same reasons, or nearly the same, as Gov. DENNISON for severing his connection with the Administration.

SECRETARY HARLAN.

Mr. HARLAN has announced to his friends that he will withdraw from the Cabinet in a few days. It is also stated that the remaining members of the Cabinet will resign *pro forma*, and thus enable the President to reconstruct his Administration thoroughly. The latter statement does not come from the most reliable sources.

THE ADJOURNMENT.

Notwithstanding the Republican caucus last night, by 20 majority, expressed their desire for an adjournment *sine die* on to-morrow week, and will exert themselves to that end, it is not certain it will take place on the 23d, as a number of the working men in both Houses, connected with important Committees, do not think so early a day practicable, but rather about ten days from this time.

MEXICO.

The elaborate report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs on the subject of Mexico, is nearly completed, and will be presented in the House early this week. It strongly sustains the Monroe Doctrine, which has a large majority in that body, many of whom are desirous of measures more effective than mere declaration of principle.

HEAVY TAXATION AND ANNOYING LAWS IN MEXICO.

A letter from Puebla, dated June 27, just received, says: "The last tax imposed by MAXIMILIAN on real estate is exorbitant. It amounts to one-seventeenth per cent. on the proceeds, with other very onerous duties. We have been favored with some very queer local regulations, which leave us as much liberty as the Turks have. We must keep our houses open and lighted until ten P. M. A keeper of a boarding-house must watch closely over his guests, exclude any suspicious persons, and report all callers; otherwise he is subject to fine. The Police were to superintend the domestic arrangements."

THE INTERNAL REVENUE BILL.

The President on Friday, having signed the Internal Revenue Bill, the Internal Revenue Bureau at once commenced complying with the laws of which it is amendatory, and the preparation of instructions and regulations under the same.

THE GOVERNOR OF MONTANA.

GREEN CLAY SMITH, recently confirmed as Governor of Montana, will leave Nebraska City on the 25th inst. for that Territory.

A BELGIAN CONSUL.

A. HEYDECKER has been recognized by the President as Consul of Belgium at Galveston, TEXAS.

NOMINATIONS.

The President sent to the Senate on Saturday the nomination of C. A. HARRINGTON as Postmaster at Albion, N. Y., and J. B. UPHAM as Collector at Portsmouth, N. H.

THE HEAT.

The thermometer in the shade to-day indicated from 94 to 100 degrees.

NEW-YORK IN THE SURF.

Sunday Bathing at Coney Island and Elsewhere.

When the hot weather comes, and the heated rays of the sun scorch the sides of houses and blister the pavements of the street—when sweltering humanity perspires at every pore till life becomes almost unbearable—when the cool refreshing breezes, fresh from the bosom of the ocean, desert us, and leave us to the scorching mercies of old Sol, suffering New-Yorkers will get into the water, and there, for a few moments at least, forget the ills which beset them when the mercury ranges above the 90s. The gentlemen of means and of leisure betake themselves and their families, if they are fortunate enough to have families, and if they haven't they go with somebody else's, to the numerous sea-shore watering places, or to the inland springs, where fresh water abounds, and there spend their time in idleness, or in fishing and bathing. The great attraction offered at these places, one and all, are the "splendid facilities for bathing," as per advertisement. Happy he who can afford this luxurious Summer vacation, but, alas! there are thousands in this city whose daily labor earns for them and the dear ones dependent upon them only their daily bread, and who cannot afford a month's nor even a day's recreation. Through all the "heated term" of July and August they must ply their busy tools in almost air-tight shops, where the blasts of furnaces consume what little air they else might have, hammering the red-hot iron upon the anvil, or pouring the molten metal into "flasks," or working at other callings equally laborious and equally heating. These men must have their tumble in the surf, and as they cannot enjoy this daily, as do their more fortunate fellow citizens, they devote Saturday evening and all day Sunday to that healthful and refreshing exercise.

Coney Island is a favorite place of resort for New-York bathers, its long sandy beach, gradually sloping from the dry land to the deeps of the ocean, offering tempting inducements equally to the experienced swimmer and to the new beginner. It is almost too far away for the accommodation of mechanics on any day except Sunday, for that day they gather there in crowds with their wives and babies, coming by railroad and steamboat for the avowed purpose of swimming in the surf, but incidentally to feast on roast clams. Coney Island has for many years been noted for its clam-bakes, and in this respect has the advantage over many other places near the City, where the bathing is quite as good. The means of getting there are ample, as several lines of Brooklyn street railroads connect at Greenwood with steam-cars, and steamboats leave New-York almost hourly. Yesterday, hundreds of people visited Coney Island, and the several hotels there did a thriving business. When the sun had got well along on his day's journey, and his rays had lost a portion of that intense heat which had distinguished them during the day, the beach was lined with bathers. Men, women and children ducked and dived and swam and splashed in the sea, and seemed to enjoy it mightily. Some of the strong and adventurous swimmers struck out boldly for deep water, and after swimming as far as they thought safe, came in again with the roll of the waves. At some points on the beach there is a heavy under-tow, which it is dangerous to get into. It is simply the receding of the waves, which having broken on the shore, retire with great impetuosity beneath the surface. Scarcely a season passes without some person being caught in the under-tow and carried out beyond the reach of help. We call to mind the cases of several ladies being thus drowned, and also of one of the best and strongest swimmers we ever knew. There is little danger of this, however, if one keeps in a moderate depth of water, where a firm foothold can be obtained at any time. It is truly refreshing to wade out a long distance and let a huge wave bring you back again, rushing you along and splashing over you in its progress, and finally landing you high and dry on shore. The ladies enjoy this amazingly, as they testify by their laughter and half-frightened shrieks and their frantic splashings. We noticed that but few bathers venture to any very great depth—indeed, we do not think that one-half of the men could swim, and we did not see one lady who could. This is a surprising fact, that with all the water about this City, and so many bathing places so easy of access, comparatively few New-Yorkers know how to swim. In the country a boy's education is not considered equal to his years if, at the age of ten, he cannot "swim like a feather and dive like a stone." It may be that salt water is objectionable to learn in, but the young vagabonds of the street seem to like it pretty well if we may judge by the numbers we see daily around the docks in swimming costume—which is less even than that of the South Carolinian who wore nothing but a standing collar and a pair of spurs. Coney Island is objectionable to bathers in the particular that there is no shade to be obtained there. It is simply a sandy beach, with not a tree or shrub, and scarcely a blade of grass. The bathing-houses which have been erected supply this deficiency to a slight degree, and then the attraction of the clams seems to outweigh all objection. From between five and six o'clock, last evening, till quite late, scores of bathers were disporting themselves in the surf, and laying in a refreshing supply of dopiness and cleanliness to last them through the week. The coming home in the crowded cars and steamboat was the worst part of the day's exercises, particularly as some of the male portion of the passengers had imbibed too freely of something stronger than salt water, and were noisy and disgusting, as such things always are.

Coney Island is not the only place where excellent salt water bathing may be obtained near the City. At almost any of the little places along the shores of Staten Island, New-Jersey, Long Island, and even the upper portion of our own Manhattan the shores are favorable for swimming. Brooklynites need not go outside of their city limits to get a good swim. Gowanus bay affords every facility for swimming of an evening, and is so convenient that it may be reached in a few moments. Hundreds of men and women, to say nothing of the myriads of children, know its resources, enjoying of their baths almost any evening. It can be reached in fifteen minutes from the City Hall by street cars, and why it should be monopolized by the people in its immediate vicinity is more than we can imagine.

Notwithstanding these facilities for bathing, they do not supply the great want of the masses. Our hard-working mechanic wants some place where he can go every night, after the labors of the day are over, and wash and cleanse himself from the accumulated sweat and dirt of the day. We want public baths, and plenty of them, where the poor man can go without cost and obtain a refreshing and invigorating bath. They have them in Europe, and they have also been introduced in Boston. As a health measure, there should be a half a dozen at least in New-York, some located on the East and others on the Hudson River, easy of access, and well provided and cared for. Our City authorities seem to be afraid of water—they will not give us the baths, nor will they authorize the public drinking fountains to be put up. They may be afraid, possibly, that if the public should take to drinking water and to bathing they may be compelled to follow suit. They would doubtless pronounce such a measure "unconstitutional," at least so far as they are concerned.

GAMBRINUS ENTHRONED.

The Liquor Traffic Yesterday—The Rush Out of Town.

Notwithstanding the relaxation of Police rule in respect of the sale of liquors on Sunday within the boundaries of the Metropolitan Excise District, and notwithstanding every vender of liquors was privileged to keep his shop open, it he should elect so to do, the number of dram-shops which were open was not greater than was usual on the Sabbath under the old Excise Law, if, indeed, it was so great. It was supposed that, after one or two Sundays of coercion, the liquor-dealers, having gained a momentary triumph, would almost unanimously open their doors, if for no other purpose than to annoy their neighbors, the ultra Temperance men. But they were not misled into any such foolish behavior. A thousand shops might have been open yesterday—probably not more. Then, of this estimated thousand, probably not one of ten was conspicuously open, and not one of a hundred was conducted as though the day were a secular or mere holiday; but nearly every house, with scarcely an exception, had closed or partially-closed window-shutters and doors half-ajar, so that the church-goers, if they were annoyed by the spectacle of bar-room traffic while on their way to worship, must have imitated the shamefaced and venerable maids who once instituted a lawsuit against a bather—they must have used their pocket telescopes.

HOW IT HAPPENED.

A little careful inquiry gave a solution of this problem of exemplary management with the dram-shops. It appears that the liquor-dealers, so far from being the unit which the Democratic politicians have declared them to be, have been split by the Excise Commissioners, just as the Excise Board split our City Democracy on the liquor question, and that the party-holding license under the law of 1866 now entertain no sentiment in common with those that have not taken out license. It has, therefore, fallen to the lot of the unlicensed venders to make the entire contest into which they have entered with the Excise Board, unaided by a dime of the licensed dealers' money. Furthermore, it is assumed that no person of immoral character, or who kept a house which harbored thieves, bawds, or incorrigible loafers, could get license, even though indorsed by the wiliest of our ward politicians, and the licensed venders, who have contributed their share toward the aggregate taxation, allege that there is a reason for it if any dealer is at this late day unlicensed. They do not care to inquire whether that reason is that the vender's application for license was rejected for cause, but leave the public to draw the inference. This being the state of feeling among the liquor-dealers when Judge CARDOZO saw fit to reopen the brothels and panel-cribs and thieves' dens on the Christian Sabbath and after midnight throughout the six days of labor, the licensed dealers took counsel as to the policy they should adopt in the premises, and they were told that although the unlicensed rabble of dealers might have won an advantage for the time being, yet at an early day they would lose this advantage, and with it, perhaps, the privilege of dispensing intoxicating beverages under any conditions whatever. They might open their bar-rooms if they chose, so long as the CARDOZO injunctions should be operative, and thus they would be placed on at least an equal footing with those of their neighbors who had not taken out license; and to enable them so avail themselves of this privilege the Police Commissioners bade their servants to make no arrests until further orders for liquor-selling, but to take note of every dealer's mode of transacting his business, particularly on Sundays. Then, it is said, the licensed venders' representatives held a meeting and thereat resolved that thenceforward their business should be conducted with the strictest decorum, and the unlicensed dealers, getting wind of this resolution, adopted it as theirs also.

A SURVEY OF THE TOWN.

The first morning church-bell, and even an earlier hour, saw dozens and scores of the votaries of the gin-bottle already at the bars of the Geogheghans and Noonans of the Fourth, Eighth, Fourteenth and Eighteenth Wards; and elsewhere an occasional dram-shop was open for the accommodation of the class of drinkers whose stomachs demand stimulation before breakfast; but the sun had passed the meridian before the porter-houses of the comparatively respectable class began to do a lucrative busines, and it was not until 3 or 4 in the afternoon that any animation was observable in the lager beer gardens. Nowhere, however, save in those shops which are frequented by dilapidated topers and bawds, was excessive indulgence in strong drink visible; but everywhere the reiterated order was for beer, beer, beer, especially lager beer. Before noonday all the cars for Harlem and Westchester county, the Central Park, and Mahattanville, all the boats for Hoboken, Staten Island, Fort Lee and Coney Island, and both lines of cars from Brooklyn for Coney Island, were uncomfortably crowded; nevertheless, a goodly share of the blandulous part of the community remained behind, and late in the afternoon the great lager beer gardens in the Bowery, on the east side, and in Broadway, were as of old, except that the German artists who once discoursed sacred music in those places of resort were absent, or if not absent they were silent. These places were thronged until about 9 o'clock, and then the multitude began to disperse.

OUT OF TOWN.

The Coney Island boats and cars were loaded down from nine in the morning until six in the evening, and from eleven until two, south of Concord-street on one line and of the City Hall on the other, there was not standing room for all who desired to go down. The car which bore our reporter took seventy passengers, and all along the streets until we had reached the neighborhood of the Penny Bridge, were parties of men, women, and children, all prepared for the trip, but unable to find place on the car. The hotels in the central part of the island began to feel the human current at about noon; but as the hotel accommodation at this point is far in excess of the ability of both roads to transport passengers, there was no discomfort, nor, indeed, was the gathering in any one of the eight public houses so great as to occasion hinderance in the execution of orders. The bar-rooms were open, of course, and sherry cobblers and fanciful ices were served in the ladies' parlors and at the tables. Yet, improbable as the remark may seem, it is nevertheless true that at no time when intoxicating liquors were permitted to be sold on the island was there manifested less disposition to indulge to excess than throughout yesterday afternoon. The fact is, the class of visitors was not that which has rendered the name of the island a reproach. The multitude was mainly composed of family groups, with little more than a sprinkling of well-behaved young men either in parties or singly, and not a solitary face of the four thousand that our reporters saw indicated either debauchery or crime. The Brooklyn Detective Police were on the ground; but they found no occasion to interfere.

Over on that peninsular part of the island which nature designed for a Quarantine—the western extremity, where the boats used to land their rafts of thieves and bawds—the company was not so large as near the termini of the car-routes. Nor was the character of the visitors unexceptionable. The boats took down New-Yorkers from along the North River shores, and among them were not a few Eighth Wards; while the passengers by the cars, who were landed at the hotels at the centre of the island, and did not get over to the west end, two miles distant, were mainly honest Brooklyn people.

Westchester County was again the focus of a large emigration, but not vast and overwhelming, like that of the days when the dram-shops on this side of the river were "compleicely and effectually closed." Nothing stronger than lager-beer was exposed for sale in any of the Westchester towns near the bridge, the town authorities and the liquor-dealers having effected a compromise on lager-beer. As a noteworthy result it may be said that they had neither riot nor drunkenness.

The Yorkville people made themselves comfortable in the Terrace Gardens, and the Manhattanese traveled down to the Lion Park Belvedere. This greatest of lager-beer gardens, being eligibly situated at the north-east corner of the Park, took a large share of the Park travel as well as the travel northward and southward on the Eighth-avenue Railroad, and it is estimated that upward of ten thousand guests were accommodated under its roofs during the afternoon.

The hotels and bar-rooms at the southwestern corner of the Park were filled throughout the afternoon and evening, and liquors of all kinds were dispensed without restraint.

BILLIARDS.

Tournament of the state and Provincial Champions.

An event which promises to be of importance in the billiard world will probably be put on foot at the Metropolitan Hotel, in this City, to-day. It was mooted some months ago, and is finally to be brought about by the following request and call:

NEW-YORK, Thursday, June 28, 1866.

To Daniel E. Gavit, Esq., Secretary American Billiard Congress, &c.:

DEAR SIR—The undersigned, having observed your exertions in regard to bringing about a tournament, to be participated in by the State and Provincial champions, respectfully request that you, at your earliest opportunity, will proceed to make suitable arrangements for, and issue a call for a meeting, to be held at the earliest practicable moment, having the consummation of this object in view. Believing your zeal in the cause will produce prompt and effective action, we confidently place these preliminary arrangements in your hands. Yours truly,

G. B. HUBBELL, Champion of Connecticut.
THOMAS FOLEY, Champion of Illinois.
CYRILLE J. B. DION, Champion of All Canada.
JOHN FRAWLEY, Champion of Ohio.
TIM. MCCARTHY, Champion of Indiana.
ALBERT H. HARRISON Champion of Missouri.
E. J. PLUNKETT, Champion of Pennsylvania.
E. DANIELS, Champion of Massachusetts.
EDWARD BRIAN, Champion of Virginia.

To the State and Provincial Billiard Champions of America:

A meeting to effect an organization, as well as to make arrangements for a Tournament of the State and Provincial Champions, will be held at the Metropolitan Hotel, in this City, on the afternoon of Monday, July 16, 1866. All recognized State or Provincial Champions, representing an organized State or Provincial Association, are invited and notified to attend. In cases where personal attendance is found impracticable, it has been determined that such parties can be represented by authorized proxies. Any further information in the possession of the undersigned will be promptly forwarded on application.

By request of a majority of the champions,

DANIEL E. GAVIT.

NEW-YORK, July 2, 1866.

The meeting which commences at 4 o'clock this P. M., will probably be attended by only three or four of the champions in person, the remainder having forwarded the necessary authorizations to parties who will represent them by proxy.

It has already been determined that the Tournament will be held in this City, probably in the building known as the Hippotheatron, in Fourteenth-street, early in September next. There will be about twelve players entered, thus calling for about eighty games, which will require two sessions daily for two weeks. The occasion will bring together in this City, every billiard player of note in America.

CHOLERA REPORTS.

The Board of Health Bulletin.

The following three paragraphs are from the bulletin of the Board of Health, covering the twenty-four hours ending at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon:

EDWARD BARNES, residing at No. 585 Grand-street, was taken with cholera symptoms at 9 o'clock A. M. At 12 reaction took place. Inspector SMITH was called, and pronounced it a case of cholera. Collapse and death at 3 o'clock P. M. Dr. PURCELL telegraphed for disinfectants, which were sent. Mr. BARNES was 29 years of age.

JANE KERWIN, a child aged nine years, living at No. 210 Elizabeth-street, front basement, taken sick at 11 A. M., and at 2 P. M. was visited by Inspector O. G. SMITH, and pronounced a genuine case of cholera. Premises disinfected.

MARY ANN DEMPSEY, aged 44, taken sick at 6 A. M. on Saturday, and died at 5 P. M., of cholera, at No. 286 West Thirtieth-street.

The following are last night's Police telegrams:

Dr. DEMING telegraphs that at 9 o'clock *the body of Mrs. Dempsey has not been removed.*

Inspector TRASK, of Hunter's Point, notifies the Sanitary Superintendent that a genuine case of cholera has occurred there.

JAMES GREEN, aged 40 years, had diarrhœa a week; was taken at midnight on Saturday with severe cramps, vomiting and frequent rice-water discharges. Inspector B. M. KEENEY saw him at 3 A. M. His symptoms improve under our treatment, and at 10 A. M. he promised to recover. Had evacuations every two or three minutes. Since 7 A. M. evacuations every hour. There was a full and offensive privy near the apartments. Have had disinfectants.

A case of supposed cholera is reported at No. 91 Hester-street, and another in Centre-street, near Pearl; still another near Bank-street.

Sun-strokes.

ADAM SMITH was prostrated by the heat on the corner of Broadway and Twenty-ninth-street, at noon yesterday. Taken to Bellevue Hospital by the Twenty-ninth Precinct Police.

JAMES AMBROSE, residing at Hunter's Point, was overcome by the heat at 2 P. M. Taken to Bellevue Hospital.

WM. JOHNSON, 19 years of age, and a native of New-York, was sun-stricken in Greenwich-street. Taken home to No. 7 West Twelfth-street, by his friends.

CHAS. KRUMMERSCHIED, 28 years of age, died last evening to No. 56 Sixth-street, from the effects of the heat.

ACCIDENT ON SHIPBOARD.—At 9 o'clock on Saturday morning, JOHN TALAHERLY, while at work on the steamship *Merrimac*, at her Pier No. 46 North River, fell down the hatchway and was seriously injured. Taken to Bellevue Hospital.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

FALL FROM A ROOF.—At 2:30 yesterday morning, MATILDA TOCHMAN, residing at No. 19 Hester-street, fell off the roof while asleep, and struck on the pavement, injuring herself quite seriously. She was taken inside by Officer COSTELLO, and medical aid summoned.

BATHER DROWNED.—About 6:30 o'clock yesterday morning, EDWARD PRIM, aged 28, and a native of Ireland, was drowned in the North River while bathing at foot of Fifty-ninth-street. The body was not recovered.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—MARGARET CONBOLLS, aged 24 years, and a native of Ireland, a domestic at No. 19 William-street, fell from the fifth story window and was instantly killed. The Coroner was notified.

POLICE OFFICER INJURED.—Officer THOMPSON, of the Harbor Police, fell from the deck of the police steamer to the pier near the barge office at the Battery, fracturing three of his ribs. He was removed to the New-York Hospital.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

THE EXCISE LAW IN BROOKLYN—THE CITY AND SUBURBS.—Notwithstanding all the lager-beer saloons in the city were kept open yesterday, everything passed off in a remarkably orderly and quiet manner. A number of arrests were made, however, for intoxication, and the parties locked up until this morning. The liquor saloons where lager is not sold, remained closed, the proprietors being apprehensive that if the law is declared constitutional their licenses will be revoked. Coney Island was well patronized. The hotels were all open as in times past, and liquors of all kinds were dispensed over the bars to whoever thought proper to pay the prices demanded. A portion of the Detective and Sanitary Police were along the beach during the day with the view of breaking up all gambling arrangements. So far as ascertained not a thimble-rigger, sweat-cloth operator or three-card monte man, was arrested. Some Sundays ago four of the principal operators in these games were taken into custody for highway robbery, and are now in jail awaiting the action of the Grand Jury. Others of the same class have apparently taken warning, and, therefore, did not venture to violate the law in this respect. The decision in the case of KETCHUM against the Excise Commissioners is to be delivered in the Supreme Court of Kings County this morning, at 10 o'clock.

INCENDIARY FIRES.—Shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday morning the frame stable of EDWARD CLARK, on rear of lots in Fifth-street, near North Seventh-street, Eastern District, was fired and entirely destroyed. Loss on building $200. A horse valued at $300 was also consumed. The flames then spread to the adjoining property, causing damage as follows: Frame dwelling, also owned by Mr. CLARK, damage $300; frame building owned by Mrs. HOLTZMAN, and occupied by several families, damage $300, principally by water, insured; a frame dwelling owned by JAMES CALHOUN, damaged by fire and water $500, insured. At 2 A. M., a small frame stable, corner of North Sixth and Seventh streets, Eastern District, was fired, but the flames were extinguished by Officer MANGAM, of the Fourth Precinct, before they made much headway.

SUICIDE.—A man named JOHN WONDERLY, a shoemaker by trade, 45 years of age, committed suicide at his residence in Underhill-avenue, near Bergen-street, yesterday afternoon, by cutting his throat from ear to ear with a razor. He is represented as a man of temperate habits. No cause is assigned for the rash act. The deceased leaves a wife and several children.

RUN OVER AND KILLED.—About 6 o'clock on Saturday evening, a child named JAMES SANDERSON, aged 2 years, was run over by a Flushing-avenue car, driven by JAMES DUNN, and so badly injured that he died in a few moments after being conveyed to his parents' residence, in Adelphi-street, near Flushing-avenue. The driver was exonerated from blame.

SUSPECTED OF ARSON.—JAMES LAYTON, a steward by occupation, was arrested by Officer DORONEY, of the Forty-fourth Precinct Police, on Saturday, on suspicion of setting fire to a house in Hathorn-street, near Downing-street, some days previous. He was held for a hearing.

FIRE.—About 12 o'clock on Saturday night a fire broke out in the tenement-house, No. 274 Adams-street, occupied by Mr. JAMES WILEY, whose children set a straw bed in flames by means of matches, with which they were playing. Damage about $300. Insured.

SEIZED WITH CRAMPS.—JAMES MORRISON, residing at No. 150 Willoughby-street, was taken suddenly ill with cramps, at Fulton-ferry, on Saturday. He was taken in charge by Officer BACHE, of the Forty-second Precinct Police, and conveyed to his home.

SUDDEN DEATH.—WM. LAYTON, attached to the United States Marine Corps, died suddenly on Saturday evening, at his residence in Kosciosko-place, near Kent-avenue, the cause being hemorrhage of the lungs.

An Extraordinary Improvement in Artificial Teeth.

From Watson's Weekly Art Journal.

Dr. M. LEVETT has always ranked among our first dentists, and dentistry owes much to his scientific researches and inventions, but his new invention of Suction Cellular Plate, in combination with a reticulated gold web and rubber base, for artificial teeth, comes nearer to perfection than any we have seen. It is so light as hardly to be a weight in the hand, and at the same time is extremely elastic and strong. By a series of air cells it is held immovable in the mouth, and is so small and compact that it does not interfere with speech or taste. It is, in short, the lightest, the most cleanly, and the firmest denture that was ever put in the mouth, and consequently we commend it over all others. Removed to No. 26 East 20th-st., Fifth house from Broadway.

[Advertisement.]

It has become my best Friend.

Miss LUCIE A. MORRISON, of Cleveland, Ohio, says: "No reasonable amount of money could persuade me to part with my Wilcox & Gibb's Sewing Machine—unless assured of its immediate replacement, *by another just like it*—IT HAS BECOME MY BEST FRIEND."—*[Advertisement.]*

Cleanse the Blood of all Impurities and

you neutralize the virus of many diseases at their source. In all Disorders of the Skin, the Glands, the Fleshy Fibre, the Secretive Organs and the Bones, all Scrofulous Complaints, Cancer, &c., Dr. JANE'S ALTERATIVE is a standard curative; and while it is a fault in many medicines that before they reach the disease, the patient is protrasted beyond recovery, no such drawback attends this remedy, for it sustains the strength of the sufferer, while eradicating the cause of the complaint. Sold everywhere.

It life and health can be estimated by

dollars and cents, MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP, for all diseases with which children are afflicted, is worth its weight in gold. It relieves the child from pain, invigorates the stomach and bowels, cures wind colic, and carries the infant safely through the critical period of teething.

Every Day we Hear of the Wonderful

cures DALLEY'S GALVANIC HORSE SALVE is effecting. Its complete mastery over the worst cases of galls, scratches, old sores, swellings, cuts, &c., is truly marvelous. One trial always convinces. Fifty cents a box. Sold by druggists, and at depot, No. 49 Cedar-st.

Farewell to Lubin's Extracts, Forever,

farewell. The NIGHT BLOOMING CEREUS of PHALON & SON supplants them all. Who that has inhaled this royal perfume in the halls of fashion can ever forget it or use any other hereafter.

The Cinchona Bark has been celebrated

for centuries as the best tonic known. Marsden's Calisaya Tonic combines the active principle of the two barks with other ingredients, making a delightful remedy for all cases of debility and prostration. Depot No. 497 Broadway.

They Purify, Strengthen and Invigorate.

They create a healthy appetite.
They are an antidote to change of water and diet.
They strengthen the system.
They purify the breath and cure sour stomach.
They cure Dyspepsia and Constipation.
They cure Liver Complaint and Nervous Headache.
DR. LAKE'S PLANTATION BITTERS have cured more cases of chronic weakness, enervation, melancholy and want of vital energy, than any medicine the world has ever produced. They are particularly adapted to delicate females and persons of sedentary occupations. Observe the proprietors' private stamp over the cork of each bottle. If any dealer has not got it report to P. H. DRAKE & CO.

Batchelor's Hair Dye

McCONNELL, THE CONDEMNED.

His Full Confession—He Acknowledges that he Killed Mrs. Colvin—Claims that the Deed was Done in a Fit of Passion.

From the Cleveland (Ohio) Plaindealer, July 11.

ALEXANDER McCONNELL, the condemned murderer now awaiting the execution of his death sentence in the jail of this county—made his confession yesterday afternoon, in the presence of the Prosecuting Attorney, the Sheriff, his Deputy, two reporters from the Press, and two or three of the Jury that convicted him. The confession was as follows:

My name is ALEXANDER McCONNELL. I am 35 or 36 years old, don't know which; was born in the County of Tyrone, Ireland; came to America sixteen years ago on the 8th of July last, and landed in Ottawa. My wife was a widow, with six children, when I married her. We have had three children. I have always been a farmer. I left my home to come here in February last; came directly to Cleveland; staid one week in the city, and then went to Berea to work. I have said to some persons that I came away on account of difficulties at home, but it is not so. I owed a man the sum of $12, and he threatened to sue me. I came to earn the money to pay him. [Here McCONNELL was overpowered by his feelings, and wept.] When I started with COLVIN to go to Berea on the morning of the 24th of March last I did not intend to go all the way. I intended to turn back and go to the shanty. There was no one at the shanty when I got there; I took COLVIN's clothes and boots; and left my own in the bed. I then started for the railroad, past CRAWFORD's, intending to go by Elyria, westward—the way I came. On the way to the railroad track I met ROSA COLVIN in EGLER's lot. I kept on, explaining to her that I had COLVIN's things to carry them to him; that he was going to Cleveland. She said if COLVIN was going she was going too. We went on about half way up the lane by CLODELL's house, when I told her that if COLVIN didn't get his things he would not go to Cleveland; that I was tired and we would go back to the shanty—I having bethought me that it wouldn't do to tell the other story. We then went back to the shanty by EGLER's. After laying down the clothes and she seeing them, she said she didn't believe I was going to see her husband at all. I didn't know what to say. I confessed to her then that I was going home to Canada. She said, "Have you been robbing the house?" I said no, I was taking some of COLVIN's clothes and leaving some of mine in their place. I then said I would take my own clothes and go home. I had none of my clothes on them. She snatched up the iron poker, and, placing herself in the door, said I should not go till WILLIAM got home. I insisted that I would go. She said she would go and call in the neighbors. I got my own clothes and started to go out of the door when she struck me over the arm with the poker. I laid down the clothes and think I struck her with my fist. I knocked and her down. She got up and struck at me; am not sure if she struck me or not. I seized a stick of wood, and struck her—I think on the back of the head; she fell. She jumped up and struck me over the head with the poker. I staggered back against the wall, seized an ax, and struck her on the head—one blow. She died instantly. When I struck her the blow with the stick of wood, she fell, and I hacked her, which I think cut her car. After she fell the last time I took her in my arms; I was alarmed, and said, "My God, I have killed you!" (The prisoner here wept bitterly, and could not speak for some moments.) Then I did not know what to do; I thought I had killed her in my passion, and did not know what would become of me; I went outside the shanty and stood there a little while, then I came back into the shanty and carried her to the woodpile. This was between 11 and 12 o'clock in the forenoon, as near as I can tell. After carrying her I came back into the shanty. While I was inside the two CRAWFORDS and the two SPEARS passed by the house. I heard them talking and saw them from the shanty. She was at the time buried under the wood. As soon as they had gone to dinner, I again packed up the goods and started. I then went past the CRAWFORD's house to the railroad, taking the track westward, and walked to Elyria. There I took the 5 o'clock train for Sandusky. I arrived at Sandusky a little before dark. I started on Monday morning about 5:30 o'clock, on foot, for Fremont, arriving there about half-past nine or ten in the forenoon. There I took the 11 o'clock train to Toledo and kept straight on to Detroit. I then crossed to Fort Sarnia and took the Grand Trunk road home.

In twenty minutes or half an hour after I struck ROSA COLVIN the last blow, I took her body out and deposited it under the wood-pile. I held her in my arms a good while, expecting her to come to; was not conscious when I dropped the dress, which I had wrapped around her. After I had deposited the body under the wood, I came back into the house and mopped up the blood. I did place the heavy logs of wood over her feet. It was not more than fifteen minutes from the time I struck her the first blow, till I struck her the final blow with the axe. The money that was claimed to be lost, and the watch and Mrs. COLVIN's dress, I never saw, and deny ever having. God Almighty knows I am sorry for the deed I have done, and I hope to be forgiven. The foregoing statement I make voluntarily, and have desired Sheriff NICOLA and Mr. CASTLE, the prosecutor, to be present with other gentlemen to hear and take it down.

At the conclusion of his confession, the prisoner seemed overcome by his feelings, and wept freely. He said that he did not expect a reprieve, and expressed the wish that his confession might not be published till after his death. He consented that it might be published, however, upon being told that it might help him.

McCONNELL's sister is circulating a petition in Canada, praying for a commutation of his sentence from death to imprisonment for life.

MURDER WILL OUT.

A Thirty Years' Mystery Cleared Up.

From the Washington Star, July 11.

Over thirty years ago there was considerable excitement in Cecil County, Md., on account of the sudden disappearance of a widow lady named PATTY POLK, who resided about four miles from Elkton. She was last seen going into a thicket near her house where two men had just passed. All search for her was in vain. After a reasonable time had elapsed, letters of administration on her effects were issued, and in settling up the estate, the administrator was unable to find a note drawn by one of the men who had been seen to go into the thicket. The note was known to have been in her possession a short time before her disappearance. This aroused the suspicion of some of the people, and the two men were arrested, but nothing could be proved against them, and they were discharged.

A number of years ago one of the suspected parties died, and last week it is reported that the other, being very ill, sent for a minister, to whom he made a free confession. According to popular rumor, the confession was to the effect that he, with the other party, sent to Mrs. POLK to meet them in a certain place, where they would pay the money on the notes, and then failed to meet her. They saw her on her way home, and knowing that she would pass through the thicket, they went into it and laid in ambush, and as soon as she appeared one knocked her on the head with a stick of wood, killing her. They placed her body in the midst of a wood pile, where they intended to let it remain, but it becoming noxious they went to the pile with a box to remove the body, and found that the dog of the deceased had taken his place to watch over the corpse, and they were compelled to kill him before they could get the body. After succeeding they carried it in the box to where the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad was being built, and placed it in the embankment.

It is also stated that the man who made this disclosure commenced to improve, and that he is now in a fair way of recovery.

A Ghost in Kentucky.

From the Louisville (Ky.) Journal, July 10.

That ghost, whose unusual perambulations in the neighborhood of the railroad bridge over Silver Creek have caused some considerable excitement, still insists on chasing people. The New-Albany *Ledger* says that on Saturday night his ghostship appeared in due form and sepulchral attire to the watchman at the bridge (not the one chased away on Thursday night), and, as the watchman says, walked up to him deliberately and laid his head upon his shoulder. Human watchman could not stand such supernatural familiarities, although heavily armed with two or three revolvers, and so he cut and run. The race was an exciting one. For a time the watchman was ahead; but soon the ghost flanked him, and then it came alongside, anon darted in before him, then seized him by the coat-tail and mooned out in doleful tones: "Lost! lost!" Mortal watchman could not endure such a terrible visitation. He fired upon the ghost, but his ghostship only replied with a hollow, deep laugh, and sprang upon the shoulder of the frightened watchman. Soon the watchman reached the city, and all efforts to induce him to return to duty failed. He says the ghost is a veritable one, and that all the money the railroad ever made could not induce him to watch that bridge alone after night. The age of superstition has not passed away, as this Silver Creek bridge affair plainly demonstrates.

Starvation of Infants.

From the Lawrence (Mass.) American.

Coroner Dr. W. D. LAMB held an inquest yesday afternoon on the body of an infant of four months, named CHARLES KEATING, whose parents are in Lowell, which developed horrors enough to make one shudder. It appeared that one Mrs. ROGERS has been in the habit of receiving young children from the age of one month to one year to board. Some of the mothers were married and some not married. She has had as many as nine at one time, and a day or two since had six. The one upon whom the inquest was held died on Saturday evening, and on Monday morning a neighbor looked in and found the body of the child lying quite black, covered with maggots, and its eyes not closed. The woman, who was far from civil, said that she was going out to make arrangements for its burial. She held another child about the same age, a poor little attenuated thing, apparently very near death, and which is probably not living while this is written. The death of the one in question, according to the woman's own statement, must have been attended with great suffering. One witness did not hesitate to express the opinion that the wretched infant had sucked its fingers to the bone and quite raw in the agonies of starvation. The witness also mentioned several similar cases of the kind which had occurred in that house, or among infants immediately after being removed from there. They were fed, to use the expression of the witness, upon sour gruel *scared* with milk. Two of the witnesses testified to the horrible smell which pervaded the place, and the filth with which the house abounded. The evidence differs about the presumed guilt of the woman ROGERS thus far, though there may be further developments at the inquest this evening, to which time it has adjourned. There can be no doubt, however, about the criminal neglect of parents who would trust their offspring in such hands. It is stated, and quite possibly with truth, that two or three of these unnatural mothers expressed the hope that their infants would die, and they would then be relieved of the burden of paying a dollar a week to the woman for their support. Much excitement has prevailed about the matter, and the dem has been visited by hundreds, who expressed bitter indignation against the old woman and the parents whose children were deposited there.

P. S.—We are informed that the infant supposed to be dying yesterday has been taken home by its mother, a single woman at the northwest part of the city, and that it is still living.

Discussion in the Sandwich Islands Assembly—What it is to be Called Hoopilimeaai.

In the Sandwich Islands Assembly, May 19, a resolution was presented ordering the Sergeant-at-Arms to bring the person of L. H. GULICK before the House, to answer for the publication of a certain article in the *Kuokoa*, of May 13, in which thirteen members of the House, by name, are called "hoopilimeaai malalo o na Kuhina," (sycophants or parasites of the Ministers,) because they voted against the bill to reduce the horse tax from $1 to 50 cents—stating that these men had no regard for the wishes of the people, and cautioning the country to look out for them at the election of 1868. A member moved to lay the resolution upon the table. Whereupon a very lively debate sprang up, one member stating that he "would not care for the charge, which was false, if it had appeared in a foreign newspaper, but the natives in the outer districts would point at him and say: 'There is the member from Honolulu, who is hoopilimeaai to the Ministers.'"

The resolution was, however, carried by a vote of 17 to 11, and it was then moved that the President be instructed to issue a warrant for the production of Dr. GULICK before the House as soon as possible. The President suggested that the matter be of small consequence, and had better be dropped without further action. After some further remarks by members, Minister HARRIS (a New-England man) said he "had taken no part in the discussion, and would not now go into the merits of the question. Thirteen men who voted against the bill had been called *hoopilimeaai*. The Ministers were too poor to be able to offer any inducements. *Haopilimeaaj*, meant a man who would sacrifice himself to another for food or any advantage. It was the most contemptuous expression in the Hawaiian language, with one or two exceptions. It meant a man that would sell himself for a calabash of pot. No further action by the House was necessary after the vote adopting the resolution. The President and the clerk are bound to carry out the order of the House, and the manner of executing it rests with them. Within these four walls, if His Majesty should be on yonder dais, are contained the Majesty of the Hawaiian realm, before which all must bow. We have a hereditary King, the nobles forming the second estate and the elected representatives, and there is no appeal from the highest tribunal in the realm, and no power between us and God. The public have a right to comment on the laws, but not on the men who make the laws." He then moved the order of the day and the motion was carried.

A Horrible Murder.

From the Chilicothe (Mo.) Spectator, June 28.

SILAS SMITH, a farmer of middle age, and in good circumstances, residing about seven miles west of Dawn, and four miles south of Mooresville, was murdered in his house in cold blood on Saturday evening last by three ruffians. The circumstances make this one of the most barbarous murders on record—almost equal to the murder of the DEERING family. It appears that Mr. SMITH was not murdered for his money. He was known to have had several hundred dollars of money for stock sold, and on the day of his murder he had been to Dawn to receive $1,000 due him there.

Mr. SMITH got to his home late in the afternoon, and reclined upon the bed to recover from his fatigue. His wife was walking outside of the enclosure, a short distance from the gate, and near a clump of timber or brush. Three men coming from this clump, passed her with threats, and ran toward the gate, where one was stationed, and two passed into the house. As they entered, they inquired for Mr. SMITH of two little girls of the family, who directed their attention to the room. On hearing the noise, Mr. SMITH rose up, and as they came to the bedroom, he was sitting on the side of the bed. The smaller of the two ruffians said, "We have you now," and fired with his pistol four times, each time striking his victim on the breast. He fell forward on the floor, breathed once very much, and soon expired. As the first shot was fired, the oldest of the two girls, about 11 years old, ran out screaming, and ran toward a neighbors. As she passed out of the house, one of the ruffians stepped to the door and called to the man at the gate, "Shoot her," when he fired, but without effect.

It is not known whether they got any money, but it is supposed not. Mr. SMITH kept no money about him, and his money taken for property was hidden away so securely that his own family do not know where it is. It is evident the ruffians intended to overtake Mr. SMITH on his way home and get the money—the exclamation would indicate this—or come on him so soon that he would have no time to hide it. There is as yet no certainty as to the murderers. Two of them were disguised by being blackened. One was not disguised. They were stripped to shirt and pants, and barefooted. The boy says he knows one of the men by his voice, but will not tell his name, while Mrs. SMITH says she well knew one of the men, although at the time he was blackened.

A UNITED STATES MINISTER ON HIS TRAVELS.—We stated the other day on the authority of advices from Buenos Ayres, that Mr. WASHBURNE, United States Minister to Paraguay, had failed in an attempt to reach that country, having been stopped by the allied commanders of Brazil, Buenos Ayres, &c., now encamped on the borders of Paraguay and holding possession of all the avenues of entrance to that country. We have since learned some additional facts of the case. It appears that Mr. WASHBURNE, who has been our Minister to that nation for several years, came home some months since upon a furlough, married a wife and returned. Reaching the borders of Paraguay, and finding his further progress barred by the presence of contending armies, he made the request of the Admiral of the Brazilian squadron to send him up the Parana River in one his vessels to his place of destination. The Admiral, however, demurred, inquiring upon what ground he was called upon to perform this unusual duty. Mr. WASHBURNE replied that his presence was required in Paraguay at the present time to protect American interests, but as upon investigation, it appeared that there were at that time only two natives of the United States in Paraguay, and that one of these was a gentleman from the South engaged in laying down torpedoes to delay the advance of the allied armies, the Admiral declined to comply with the desire of the United States envoy, remarking, however, that he would at any time allow a United States vessel of war to pass his lines with the Minister on board, but as such vessels are not to be found in that region, Mr. WASHBURNE, at last accounts, was quietly reposing from diplomatic labors in the city of Buenos Ayres.—*Boston Traveller.*

VERMONT AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.—The Commencement of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College will take place Aug. 1. No essential change is contemplated in the studies of the ordinary college course as heretofore pursued, but the State Agricultural College being now united with the University, provision will be made for receiving young men who are desirous of pursuing the course of studies contemplated by the late act of Congress. The whole course of study has not yet been fully determined upon, but the corporation express their determination to make it as complete and thorough as that of any similar institution in the country. Meantime instruction will be given in the several studies usually pursued by pupils during the first year of scientific schools connected with colleges. Three new professorships have been established by the corporation: one a professorship of Modern Languages, another of Analytical and Agricultural Chemistry, a third of Mineralogy, Geology and Mining.

DUNGEON ROCK.—The Cave at Dungeon Rock, in Lynn, upon which Mr. MARBLE has been at work for the past fifteen years, for the purpose of obtaining the pirate treasures said to have been secreted there, has been blown and well used up with the blasting of Mr. MARBLE and his son, who work under the direction of the "spirits." The whole distance excavated is about 140 feet in length, with frequent twists and turns, according to the varying suggestions of said spirits. It is thought by Mr. SMITH, of Foxborough, a gentleman interested in the work, that the "dungeon" will be reached in going about seven feet further. Indeed, taking his word for it, he has repeatedly seen it when in a "clairvoyant state;" but he adds that he had never been able to see any money in it. So there is, after all, some doubt whether there ever really such great piles of gold as tradition refers to, and so many mediums have seen.—*Boston Post, July 12.*

DRY GOODS.

JAMES A. HEARN & SON

will offer, during the coming week, the entire balance of their stock of FANCY SILKS at a great reduction. Also, GREAT BARGAINS IN BLACK SILKS.

GREAT BARGAINS IN DRESS GOODS, suitable to the season.

FANCY GRENADINES in great variety, from 35 cents to $1 25.

OXONIANS, the specialty of the season, reduced to 35 cents; worth 50 cents.

New shades of COLORED ALPACA.

TWO THOUSAND FANCY SUMEE SHAWLS,

in great variety of style, and at lower prices than they can be obtained elsewhere.

SILK ILLUSION SQUARE SHAWLS, (slightly damaged,) at $20; worth $35. Berlin wool shawls, for traveling, $8; worth $14.

BLACK ALPACAS.

Over 200 pieces BLACK ALPACAS, purchased at a great sacrifice, which will be offered at a small advance on the cost.

BLACK SILK BASQUES AND CIRCULARS,

in new and elegant styles, made of Bonnet's Black Silks and finished in the best manner.

MOURNING GOODS AT REDUCED PRICES.

REAL LACE SHAWLS; an elegant assortment just received.

LLAMA LACE SHAWLS, purchased much under cost of importation, which will be offered at a small advance on the cost.

DRESSES AND SUITS MADE TO ORDER, AND FINISHED WHEN PROMISED.

BATHING DRESSES, HATS, CAPS AND SHOES.

SQUARE MESH BLACK GRENADINES, finest quality imported.

BLACK GRENADINE BAREGES, 65 cents; worth $1.

BLACK GRENADINE, 65, 75, and 85 cents; warranted all silk.

LADIES' UNDER-LINEN at REDUCED PRICES.

NO. 775 BROADWAY, ABOVE 9TH-ST.

5,000 FRENCH POUTILLE CORSETS AT $3 A PAIR.

For ease, elegance, naturalness and durability we will warrant these corsets equal to any that can be bought at any price.

Dry, Furnishing and Fancy Goods of all kinds as usual at our down-town jobbing prices, at No. 12 4th-av.

VALENTINE & CO.

AT DE PERCEVAL'S,

No. 730 Broadway, opposite Astor-place, formerly at No. 667. Children's clothing and suits, infants' wardrobes, French lingerie for ladies and children, imported chemisses, yokes, ladies' ready-made undergarments, ladies' and misses' sets, handkerchiefs, &c. Initials and coats of arms embroidered. Stamping for embroideries, &c., &c.

H. L. MACY.

FANCY GOODS, DRY GOODS,

BEST QUALITY FRENCH KID GLOVES, &c.

FOURTEENTH-STREET AND SIXTH-AVENUE.

JULY 1, 1866.—ON AND AFTER THIS DATE I will no pay any debts contracted by him. E. THOMPSON, No

FINANCIAL.

FISK & HATCH,

BANKERS AND DEALERS

IN

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES,

NO. 5 NASSAU-ST.,

BUY AND SELL AT MARKET RATES:

U. S. SIX PER CENT. BONDS of 1881,
U. S. FIVE-TWENTY BONDS,
U. S. SEVEN-THIRTY TREASURY NOTES,
U. S. TEN-FORTY BONDS,
U. S. ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATES,
U. S. COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES,
U. S. THIRTY-YEAR BONDS. Pacific R. R. issues,
Central Pacific Railroad State Aid Bonds,
and other desirable Securities.

Also, receive deposits and make collections on favorable terms.

BANKING HOUSE

OF

JAY COOKE & CO.

Corner Wall and Nassau Sts., New York.

We buy and sell at the most liberal current prices, and keep on hand a full supply of

GOVERNMENT BONDS OF ALL ISSUES,
SEVEN-THIRTIES,
CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS,
AND
COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES,

And execute orders for purchase and sale of STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.

JAY COOKE & CO.

THE COMMERCIAL & FINANCIAL CHRONICLE,

THE THIRD VOLUME

of this journal commences with the present month, (July, 1866.) All persons who desire to preserve THE CHRONICLE for binding should subscribe now, as it is frequently impossible to obtain back numbers complete.

The COMMERCIAL & FINANCIAL CHRONICLE enters upon its second year with the names of the leading houses in all classes of business upon its subscription list, and acknowledged to be the most complete and valuable paper of its kind published in the United States. It is issued every Saturday morning, at No. 60 William-st., by the publishers of *Hunt's Merchants' Magazine.*

Terms of subscription per year for the *Chronicle*, with *Daily Bulletin*, $12; for *Chronicle*, without *Daily Bulletin*, $10; for *Daily Bulletin* alone, $5.

WILLIAM B. DANA & CO., Publishers,
No. 60 William-st., New-York.

EXCHANGE OF N. C. BONDS.

STATE OF N. C., TREASURY DEPARTMENT, RALEIGH, June 27, 1866.

Under the authority of an ordinance of the Convention, ratified June 28, 1865, sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned until the last day of November, 1866, for the exchange of the principal of any bonds issued by the State prior to the 20th of May, 1861, for certificates of stock and other interest held by the State in various corporations. The principal of these are stocks in the following companies:

North Carolina Railroad Co.	$3,000,000
Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Co.	682,500
Atlantic and N. C. Railroad Co.	1,066,000
Western N. C. Railroad Co.	1,191,000
Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal Co.	350,000

Second bonds secured by mortgages on the entire property of the following corporations:

Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad Co.	$2,000,000
Western (Coalfield) Railroad Co	600,000
Atlantic and N. C. Railroad Co.	181,164 66

The interest acquired by the purchaser of the stock of any corporation will not be greater than that of the holders of the like amount of the general stock of the same corporation.

The stocks belonging to the Literary Fund, e. g. the stock in the Wilmington and Weldon and Wilmington and Manchester Railroads, are not tendered, and in various banks, are not included in this advertisement.

Bids at less than the par value of the stocks or other interest will not be entertained. Any premium realized will be applied in payment of past due coupons of the bonds delivered in exchange.

Copies of the law authorizing the exchange and more detailed lists of the stocks, &c., will be forwarded by the undersigned to applicants.

It is made my duty to accept those terms deemed most advantageous to the State and the option of rejecting any or all bids is reserved.

KEMP P. BATTLE, Public Treasurer.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

OFFICE OF THE CINCINNATI, HAMILTON AND DAYTON RAILROAD COMPANY,
CINCINNATI, June 19, 1866.

The Stockholders of this Company are hereby notified that a meeting will be held at their office in Cincinnati on TUESDAY, the 17th of July, 1866, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 1 P. M., to vote upon the question of an increase of the capital stock of the Company five hundred thousand dollars. By order of the Board of Directors. F. H. SHORT, Secretary.

EIGHT PER CENT. STREET RAILWAY BONDS.

$25,000 of First Mortgage Bonds on a Street Railway now in successful operation in a Western city are offered for sale at favorable figures, to make them a first-class investment. The bonds are payable in New-York, both principal and interest, semi-annual coupons. For further particulars apply to A. WILKINS, Stock Broker, Detroit.

AGENCY OF THE ROMAN LOAN.

One hundred dollar gold bonds ready for delivery at sixty-six dollars, gold, each.

JOHN B. MURRAY, Authorized Agent,
No. 18 Nassau-st., New-York.

AUGUST BELMONT & CO.

BANKERS,
No. 50 Wall-st.,

Issue letters of credit for Travellers' use in Europe, through the Messrs. Rothschild, of Paris, London, Frankfort, Vienna, Naples, and their correspondents.

GRENVILLE WINTHROP. EUGENE WINTHROP

GRENVILLE WINTHROP & CO.,

NO. 49 EXCHANGE-PLACE, NEW-YORK,

FOREIGN EXCHANGE, GOLD, BUSINESS PAPER, ETC.

BANKERS' AND MERCHANTS' COMMERCIAL BILLS bought and sold on commission.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,

NO. 56 WALL-ST.,

ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELLERS' CREDITS FOR USE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

EXCHANGE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, June 29, 1866.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of the EXCHANGE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, held on Wednesday, the 27th June, instant, the following named gentlemen were duly elected:

A. VAN NORDEN,	A. M. BININGER,
WM. K. THORN,	EDMUND HURRY,
JOHN T. B. MAXWELL,	DANIEL B. PIERSON,
WM. S. FAITOUTE,	CHAS. BUTTIN,
RICHARD F. CARMAN,	WM. P. COOLEDGE,
JOHN RANDALL,	HENRY WORTHINGTON,
ELISHA BROOKS,	RICHARD C. COMBES,
JOHN W. AMERMAN,	THOS. H. BECK,
	JOHN G. GOTTSBERGER.

And at a subsequent meeting of the Board, held on the 28th June, JOHN C. COMBES, Esq., was re-elected President for the ensuing year.

RICHARD C. COMBES, Secretary.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, June 26, 1866.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO HOLDERS of 7-30 Treasury Notes, issued under acts of Congress approved March 1 and 17, 1862, that the Secretary of the Treasury, in accordance with said acts and the tenor of said certificates, is prepared to redeem, before maturity, all certificates of indebtedness falling due after Aug. 31, 1866, with accrued interest thereon, if presented for redemption on or before July 15, 1866; and that thereafter NO interest will be allowed thereon, and will be paid on presentation to the Department, with interest only to said 15th of July.

H. McCULLOCH, Secretary.

JERSEY CITY, July 9, 1866.

TO THE HOLDERS OF JERSEY CITY WAR BONDS.—The undersigned will receive proposals until the 16th inst. at the office of the Comptroller, City Hall, for the sale to them of twenty thousand dollars, ($25,000,) the whole or any part thereof, of the said bonds, for the purposes of the Sinking Fund.

WM. CLARKE, F. C. YOUNG, T. R. BENWELL, CHAS. H. O'NEILL, } Commissioners of Sinking Fund.

UNITED STATES TREASURY, INTEREST DEPARTMENT, NEW-YORK, July 10, 1866.

SCHEDULE OF (30) THIRTY OR MORE (7.30) seven and three-tenths coupons, payable July 15, inst., will now be received for examination at the Interest Department of the United States Treasury.

E. H. VAN DYCK,
Assistant Treasurer, United States.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD COMPANY,
TREASURER'S OFFICE, No. 7 Exchange-st.,
NEW-YORK, July 14, 1866.

INTEREST ON FIRST MORTGAGE Bonds of this Company, due Aug. 1, will be paid at this office.

Transfer-books will be closed on and after July 20, until day of payment. C. C. CLARKE, Treasurer.

FOR SALE—BROADWAY AND 7TH-AV. RAILROAD STOCK, PAYING 7 PER CENT. DIVIDENDS; BELT RAILROAD AND OTHER CITY RAILROAD STOCKS AND BONDS; ALSO CHOICE INSURANCE STOCKS ALL FOR SALE BY

ALBERT H. NICOLAY,
Stock Broker and Auctioneer,
No. 43 Pine-st., N. Y.

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.—THE interest on the bonds and stocks of the Corporation of the City of New-York, due and payable Aug. 1, 1866, will be paid on that day by Daniel Devlin, Esq., Chamberlain of the City, at the Broadway Bank.

The transfer-books will be closed Monday, the 9th inst.

MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, Comptroller.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW-YORK, July 3, 1866.

IRVING NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, July 14, 1866.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the IRVING NATIONAL BANK, held on the 13th inst., Mr. JOHN T. LOW, JR., was elected Cashier to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Daniel V. H. Berthoff as Cashier, both to take effect Aug. 1, 1866. JOHN CASTREE, President.

SILVER HILL MINING COMPANY,
OFFICE NO. 23 BROADWAY, JULY 10, 1866.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of this Company will be held at the Company's office, No. 23 Broadway, on TUESDAY, July 19, at 12 o'clock M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Trustees for the ensuing year.

J. G. HITCHCOCK, Secretary.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK OF NASHville funds past due coupons of Tennessee bonds, without charge.

EDGAR JONES, Cashier.

SIX PER CENT. BONDS OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, N. Y., having thirty years to run, for sale on favorable terms.

JOHN J. CISCO & SON, No. 33 Wall-st.

COMMISSIONER FOR MASSACHUSETTS and other States—No. 5 Beekman-st. Room

FINANCIAL.

VERMILYE & CO.,

No. 44 WALL-ST.,

BANKERS AND DEALERS

IN

GOVERNMENT STOCKS

AND

COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES.

CLOSING PRICES.

NEW-YORK, July 14, 1866.

	Buy.	Sell.		Buy.	Sell.
Registered, '81	105¾	105¾	June, 7-30	103⅞	104
Coupon, '81	105¾	105¾	July, 7-30	103⅞	104
5-20 Regist'd, '62	105¾	106	June, C.I.N's, '66	113⅝	113⅝
5-20 Coupon, '62	106¾	106¾	July, C.I.N's, '66	112⅝	112⅝
5-20 Coupon, '64	105¾	105¾	Aug., C.I.N's, '66	112⅝	112⅝
5-20 Coupon, '65	105¾	105¾	Oct., C.I.N's, '66	111⅜	111⅜
10-40 Registered	98½	99	Dec., C.I.N's, '66	110⅜	110⅜
10-40 Coupon	98½	99	May, C.I.N's, '65	108⅜	108⅜
Curr'cy Certifics.	100	100	Aug., C.I.N's, '65	106⅝	106⅝
Gold	122¼	122¾	Sept., C.I.N's, '65	106⅜	106⅜
August, '7-30	105¾	106	Oct., C.I.N's, '65	105⅞	105⅞

NO. 7 NEW-ST., NEAR WALL.

GWYNNE & DAY,

BANKERS AND BROKERS,

Buy and sell on commission STOCKS, GOLD and U. S. SECURITIES.

Country bankers' accounts received on favorable terms.

TURNER BROTHERS,

BANKERS AND DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Accounts solicited—4 per cent. interest allowed on daily balances—have removed to No. 14 Nassau-st., in our new marble block.

SAVINGS BANKS.

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
NO. 263 BOWERY.

Six Per Cent Interest (free from Government tax) allowed on sums of $1,000 and under; Five Per Cent. on larger sums.

Deposits made on or before July 20 will draw interest from July 1.

Open daily from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M., and on MONDAYS and WEDNESDAYS from 10 to 7 P. M.

STEPHEN CUTTER, President.

HENRY C. FISHER, Secretary.

THIRD-AVENUE SAVINGS BANK,
Corner of 3d-av. and 26th-st.

Present Deposits.....$3,000,000

Six per cent. interest paid, free from Government tax, on all sums from $1 to $5,000.

All deposits made on or before the 21st of July will draw interest from the 1st of July.

Open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings, from 6 to 8 o'clock. SPENCER R. GREEN, President.

RICHARD KELLY, Secretary.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
NO. 96 WARREN-ST.

Interest allowed at the rate of Six per cent. on all sums entitled thereto, free of Government tax. Open daily from 10 to 3 P. M. Deposits made now will draw interest from July 1.

WALTER W. CONKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

METROPOLITAN SAVINGS BANK,
No. 10 Cooper Institute, 3d-av.

Deposits made on or before July 21 will draw interest from the 1st of July, at the rate of Six per cent. on sums of $5,000 and under, free of Government tax.

ISAAC T. SMITH, President.
W. J. BARNES, Secretary.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST,
FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX.

The BROADWAY SAVINGS BANK,
No. 82 Nassau, near Fulton-st., New-York.

Deposits made now, or on or before July 21, will draw interest from July 1. WM. VAN NAME, President.
H. R. CONKLIN, Secretary.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK,
CANAL-ST., CORNER OF VARICK.

DEPOSITS FROM 10 CTS TO $5,000 RECEIVED,
Six per cent. interest, free of tax.

Deposits before July 21 draw interest from July 1.

ASSETS, $1,279,941 11.

ATLANTIC SAVINGS BANK,
Chatham-square, opposite Mott-st., New-York.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ALLOWED,
FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX.

Deposits made on or before July 20 will receive interest from July 1.

FRANKLIN SAVINGS BANK,
Corner of 8th-av. and 42d-st.

INTEREST commences July 1 is SIX PER CENT. and FREE OF TAX.

BOWERY SAVINGS BANK, NEW-YORK, July 11, 1866.

THE DEPOSITORS ARE HEREBY notified that interest at the rate of Five Per Cent. per annum on all sums of five dollars and upward and not exceeding five hundred dollars, and Four Per Cent. per annum on all sums over five hundred dollars, which have been deposited in the Bowery Savings Bank previous to the 1st inst., will be allowed to the depositors, free of Government tax, payable on and after MONDAY, the 16th inst., in accordance with the provisions of the banking laws. All interest not called for will remain as principal, and draw interest accordingly from the 1st inst.

This Bank is open for business daily, from 10 to 2 o'clock, and on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings, from 5 to 7 o'clock, at No. 130 Bowery. By order of the Trustees. THOMAS JEREMIAH, President.

G. H. COGGESHALL, Secretary.

BROADWAY SAVINGS INSTITUTION, No. 247 Broadway, entrance on Park-place.

DIVIDEND.—The Trustees of this institution have directed that the usual DIVIDEND on deposits entitled thereto, for the six months ending June 30, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum on sums not exceeding $560, and FIVE PER CENT. over $560, (free from Government tax,) will be paid on and after MONDAY, July 16, 1866. FRANCIS P. SCHOALS, President.

WADE B. WORRALL, Sec. PETER CUMMING, Asst.

NEW-YORK SAVINGS BANK—8TH-AV., corner 14th-st.; SIX PER CENT. INTEREST, free from tax. Deposits made on or before July 21, will draw interest from the 1st.

THOMAS CHRISTY, President.

R. H. BULL, Secretary.

ATLANTIC SAVINGS BANK—CHATHAM-square, opposite Mott-st., New-York, have declared a Dividend at the rate of Six per Cent. per Annum, FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX, on all deposits entitled thereto, from five to five thousand dollars, payable on and after July 16.

DIME SAVINGS BANK OF WILLIAMSBURGH, corner of South 7th and 1st sts., receives from 10c. to $5,000, and pays 6 per cent. interest free of tax; money deposited on or before the 24th draws interest from the 1st of July.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE

AMERICAN SPA SPRING COMPANY'S

WOODBRIDGE

CHALYBEATE, OR IRON WATER.

CHAS. LENZMANN,

General Agent,

No. 60 New-st., New-York.

PENSIONS.

A NEW PENSION LAW has just been passed, giving increased pensions to all men who have lost both eyes, both hands, both feet, one hand and foot, or the total use of any of them. It also gives pensions to dependent fathers, brothers, and some others. I am now prepared, with new and suitable blanks, to make immediate application for any of the above pensions. Those whose pensions are increased must make new applications. My charge will be the fee fixed by the PENSION LAW. Address CHARLES NETTLETON, No. 111 Broadway, New-York.

N. B.—Refer by permission to SAMUEL SINCLAIR, Esq., Publisher of the New-York *Tribune*. Accurate copies of the NEW PENSION LAW for sale at 15 cents each.

REYNOLDS' TURBINE

WATER WHEELS

REYNOLDS' PATENT sweeps the field; new improvements; low prices; does not clog; has no complications of gates or costly dams; works well; compact for shipment; great water-saver; the only wheel that excels overshots; gold medal awarded by American Institute for superiority. Agents wanted in every county.

GEORGE TALLCOT,
Late TALLCOT & UNDERHILL, No. 96 Liberty-st.

OFFICE OF MAYNARD & TIEMANN,

MINING ENGINEERS AND CONSULTING CHEMISTS, No. 240 Pearl-st., New-York, and Central City, Colorado. Assays of gold and silver. Analyses of ores, minerals, guano, soda ash, furnace products, &c., &c.

Special attention given to the analyses of iron ores, iron slag and iron cinder.

SHIPPING.

PANAMA, NEW-ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY.
OPENING OF STEAM COMMUNICATION BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND AUSTRALASIA VIA PANAMA.

The service of the above Company will be commenced from Panama to Wellington, New-Zealand, on the 24th inst., by the steamship KAKAIA, followed by the KAIKOURA on the 24th July.

Passengers and goods will be forwarded from Wellington to Auckland, Otago, Nelson, Canterbury, Sydney, Melbourne, and other parts of New-Zealand and Australia, by the Company's Inter-Colonial steamers.

Arrangements are in progress for the conveyance of passengers and goods, from New-York, at through fares and rates to all the principal ports in the Australasian Colonies.

The opening voyages of the Company's ships in conjunction with those of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company will be as follows:

OUTWARD.
From New-York, June 11.
From Panama, June 24.
From Wellington, N. Z., July 21.
Arriving at Sydney, July 29.

HOMEWARD.
From New-York to Wellington, 40 days.
From Panama to Wellington, 28 days.
To Sydney or Melbourne, 8 days additional.

HOMEWARD.
From Sydney, 31st May or June 1.
From Wellington, N. Z., June 8.
From Colon, (Aspinwall), July 13.
Arriving at New-York, July 30.

TIME.
Wellington to New-York, 42 days.
Wellington to Panama, 28 days.
From Sydney or Melbourne, 8 days additional.
The service will be continued monthly in unison with the foregoing dates.

For particulars of fares and freight on application to Pacific Mail Steamship Company, Office No. 50 Wall-st., New-York. WM. G. SEALY, Agent.
PANAMA, May 23, 1866.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.
THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid new vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River, as follows:

PEREIRE.....DUCHESNE.....SATURDAY, July 28
LAFAYETTE.....PARIS.....SURMONT.....SATURDAY, Aug. 11
EUROPE.....LAMARIE.....SATURDAY, Aug. 25
NAPOLEON III.....BOCANDE.....SATURDAY, Sept. 8

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD.
First cabin, $135; second cabin, $80, including table wine in either class.

The steamers of this line do not carry steerage passengers.

Passengers intending to land at Brest will be furnished here with railroad coupon tickets, and their baggage checked to Paris, at an additional charge of $5 for first and $3 for second class.

Medical attendance free of charge.

EXTRA STEAMERS, alternating with the mail line, and at lower rates, are appointed to sail for Havre direct.

TERA CRUZ...Capt. BELIARD.....Saturday, Aug. 4
TAMPICO.....Capt. GILBERT PIERRE.....Saturday, Aug. 18
FLORIDE.....Capt.....Saturday, Sept. 15

RATES OF PASSAGE, IN GOLD.
Chief cabin, including wine.....$80
Steerage, with superior fare.....40

For further information, apply to
GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent.
No. 58 Broadway.

NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.
Limited.
NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL,
Calling at Queenstown to land passengers.

Ships	Tons	Commanders
ENGLAND	3,521	Grace.
SCOTLAND	3,698	Hall.
VIRGINIA	3,310	Prowse.
HELVETIA	3,315	Carlvle.
THE QUEEN	3,517	Grogan.
ERIN	3,310	Cutting.
PENNSYLVANIA	2,872	Lewis.
LOUISIANA	3,196	Thompson
DENMARK	3,117	Thomson
FRANCE	3,200	(Building)

Leave Pier No. 47, North River as follows:
VIRGINIA.....SATURDAY, July 21
ENGLAND.....SATURDAY, July 28
LOUISIANA.....SATURDAY, Aug. 4
ERIN.....SATURDAY, Aug. 11
AND EVERY SATURDAY THEREAFTER.

The size of these steamships admits of very spacious state-rooms, all opening directly into the saloon; first accommodations and fare are unsurpassed, and the rates lower than by any other line.

An experienced Surgeon on each ship free of charge.

Steerage passage tickets to bring parties from Liverpool or Queenstown, for $35 currency

Cabin passage o Liverpool $100; Steerage. $30—payable in currency.

Drafts for any amount issued on any Bank in Great Britain and Ireland at the lowest rates.

The owners of these vessels will not be accountable for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having their value expressed therein, are signed therefor.

For freight or cabin passage, apply at the office of the Company, No. 57 Broadway, and for steerage tickets at the passage office of the company, No. 27 Broadway, or No. 275 Pearl-st

F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL—CALLING AT Queenstown, the Inman Line, sailing semi-weekly, carrying United States Mails

CITY OF CORK.....WEDNESDAY.....July 18
EDINBURGH.....SATURDAY.....July 21
KANGAROO.....WEDNESDAY.....July 25
CITY OF PARIS.....SATURDAY.....July 28
CITY OF NEW-YORK.....SATURDAY.....Aug. 4

and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at noon, from Pier No. 44 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE,
BY THE MAIL STEAMER SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.
First Cabin.....$80 Steerage.....$30
First Cabin to London.....85 Steerage to London.....34
First Cabin to Paris.....125 Steerage to Paris.....40

Passage by the Wednesday's steamers: First cabin, $100; steerage, $35. Payable in United States currency.

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.

Steerage passage from Liverpool or Queenstown, $30, gold, or the equivalent. Tickets can be bought here by persons sending for their friends.

For further information apply at the Company's Offices, JOHN G. DALE, Agent. No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

THE NORTH AMERICAN LLOYD.
ONLY AMERICAN LINE OF FIRST-CLASS OCEAN STEAMERS
Between NEW-YORK and BREMEN via COWES, carrying the U. S. Mail, and Passengers to England, France and Germany. Leave New-York, from Pier No. 46 North River, on THURSDAYS:
ATLANTIC, C. HOYER, Commander, 3,000 tons, 1,600 horse power.....19th July,
BALTIC, A. G. JONES, Commander, 3,000 tons, 1,600 horse power.....2d August.
WESTERN METROPOLIS, H. SANDERS Commander, 2,600 tons, 1,000 horse power...15th Aug't.

Further departures: September 6, 20; October 4, 26; November 22; December 13, 27.

DEPARTURES FROM BREMEN, respectively—Cowes, June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11, 25; August 15, 29; September 12; October 3, 17; November 1, 22; December 5, 20.

RATES OF PASSAGE, payable in gold, or its equivalent in currency, from NEW-YORK to BREMEN, Havre, London and Southampton:
First cabin, $100; second cabin, ($62 50; steerage, $37 50.
FROM BREMEN, &c., TO NEW-YORK:
First cabin, $120; second cabin, $80; steerage, $45.
RETURN TICKETS—First cabin, $205; second cabin, $122 50; steerage, $77 50.
For freight or passage apply to
RUGER BROS., General Agents,
No. 45 Beaver-st.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS.
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT COBH HARBOR.
AND
BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN HARBOR.

CUBA leaves Boston Wednesday, July 18.
PERSIA leaves New-York Wednesday, July 25.
AFRICA leaves Boston Wednesday, August 1.
EUROPA leaves New-York Wednesday, August 8.
CHINA leaves Boston Wednesday, Aug. 15.
JAVA leaves New-York Wednesday, Aug. 22.

RATES FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage.....$122 50
Second Cabin Passage.....80 00

FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage.....$112 50
Second Cabin Passage.....65 00

Payable in gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.

Berths not secured until paid for.

An experienced surgeon on board.

The owners of these ships will not be accountable for specie or Valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.

For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

GREAT REDUCTION
IN PRICE OF PASSAGE TO EUROPE
BY THE
ONLY AMERICAN LINE TO ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

The New-York and Havre Steamship Company's first-class mail steamships ARAGO and FULTON, having been thoroughly refitted, will sail from Pier No. 3 North River for Havre, calling at Falmouth, on the following days, at noon, precisely,

FULTON, S. SAMUELS.....Saturday, Aug. 4, 1866
ARAGO, HENRY A. GADSDEN.....Saturday, Sept. 1, 1866
FULTON, S. SAMUELS.....Saturday, Sept. 29, 1866
ARAGO, HENRY A. GADSDEN.....Saturday, Oct. 27, 1866
FULTON, S. SAMUELS.....Saturday, Nov. 24, 1866.

And every twenty-eight days thereafter.

PRICES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN GOLD
FIRST CLASS.
Main Saloon.....$160 | Lower Saloon.....$80
Second class..$50.

An experienced surgeon on board.

The company will not be responsible for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.

J. J. COMSTOCK, Agent,
No. 7 Broadway, New-York.

JAMES A. WOTTON, Havre, General Agent in Europe.
SHERBETTE, KANE & CO., Agents in Paris.

LONDON AND NEW-YORK STEAMSHIP LINE.
Passage to London, direct, $90, $60 and $30, payable in currency.
Passage from London, $90, $60 and $30, payable in gold.
ATALANTA, Capt. PINKHAM, from New-York, July 21.
BELLONA, Capt. DIXON, from New-York, Aug. 1.
CELLA, Capt. GLEADELL, from New-York, Aug. 11.
WM. M. TWEED, Capt. BILLINGS, from New-York, Aug. 25.

The elegant British screw steamship ATALANTA, 3,000 tons, will sail for London direct on SATURDAY, July 21, at noon, from Pier No. 3, North River.

For passage apply to CHAS. A. WHITNEY, No. 26 Broadway.

For freight apply at No. 54 South-st.
HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.
Calling at Queenstown, the extra Cunard steamer will sail every WEDNESDAY:
ALLEPPO.....WEDNESDAY, July 18.
MARATHON.....WEDNESDAY, July 25.
MALTA.....WEDNESDAY, Aug. 1.

These steamers have very fine accommodations for a few cabin passengers.

Passage money $100, gold or its equivalent.

For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

FOR HAVANA DIRECT.
The favorite side-wheel steamship EAGLE, E. B. GREENE, Commander, will sail WEDNESDAY, July 18, punctually, at 3 o'clock, from Pier No. 4 North River.

For freight or passage apply to
GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents, 5 Bowling-green.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.
The United States and Brazil Mail Steamship Company will dispatch the elegant side-wheel steamship NORTH AMERICA, L. F. TIMMERMAN, Commander, for Rio de Janeiro and intermediate ports, on
SATURDAY, July 21,
at 3 o'clock P. M., from Pier No. 43 North River.

For freight or passage apply to
GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

FOR ST. JOHN, N. B., VIA EASTPORT.
The new and elegant side-wheel steamship,
RAPIDAN,
WM. BAILEY, Commander,
being unavoidably detained, will leave for the above ports on TUESDAY, July 17, at 12 o'clock M., from Pier No. 36 North River. Freight received on Saturday. Passenger accommodations unsurpassed.

For freight or passage apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO.,
No. 88 Liberty-st.

SHIPPING.

THE CONTINENTAL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
AMERICAN STEAMSHIP LINE.
NEW-YORK—ANTWERP.

To travelers and shippers of cargo to Europe, desirous of avoiding the German ports, on account of the war, an opportunity is afforded of doing so by their selecting this line.

The Company's 3-3. G. I. 1 Veritas iron screw steamship

CIRCASSIAN,
THOMAS J. ELLIS, Commander, 2,000 tons and 1,200-horse power, will leave Pier No. 20 North River, (foot of Dey-st.,) for

ANTWERP DIRECT,
on WEDNESDAY, the 18th of July.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
First Cabin, $90; Second Cabin, $62 50; Steerage, $37 50, payable in gold.

This is the most direct route to Holland, Western Germany, the Rhine and Switzerland.

The accommodation and fare for passengers are in every respect first-class.

An experienced surgeon on board.

Through bills of lading given to Rotterdam and Amsterdam.

For freight or passage apply to
WM. SALEM & CO.,
General Agents,
No. 110 Pearl-st., (Hanover-square.)

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE
TO CALIFORNIA,
CARRYING UNITED STATES MAIL.
VIA PANAMA RAILROAD.

Steamers leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 M., noon, as follows:

JUNE 30.—ARIZONA, A. G. GRAY, connecting with CONSTITUTION, FARNSWORTH.
JULY 11.—HENRY CHAUNCEY, JEFF. MAURY, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, WATKINS.
JULY 31.—NEW-YORK, WEIR, connecting SACRAMENTO, CAVERLY.

All departures touch at Acapulco; those of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with steamers for South Pacific ports; 1st and 11th for Central American Ports, and those of 1st touch at Manzanilla.

100 pounds baggage allowed each adult. Medicines and attendance free.

For passage tickets and all further information apply at the office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., North River, New-York. S. K. HOLMAN, Agent.

OPPOSITION LINE.
TO CALIFORNIA via NICARAGUA,
ON THE TWENTIETH OF EACH MONTH.
THE NORTH AMERICAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY
Will dispatch the fast and elegant steamship
SAN DIEGO DE CUBA,
JERRY W. SMITH, Commander.

On the 20th of July, at noon, from Pier No. 29 North River, foot of Vestry-st., with passengers and freight for their connecting steamer on the Pacific, the AMERICA, Capt. W. L. MERRY, due at San Francisco Aug. 12.

THE CENTRAL AMERICAN TRANSIT COMPANY have placed a new steamer on the lake, and otherwise greatly improved the transit route. The full stage of water on lake and river insures to passengers a prompt and reliable transit over this favorite line of California travel.

REDUCED RATES OF PASSAGE.
First-class, | Second-class, | Third-class,
$175 to $200. | $125. | $85.

In currency.

THROUGH TO SAN FRANCISCO.

Shippers of light goods and packages of convenient size are invited to avail themselves of this opportunity to ship FAST FREIGHT AT LOWER RATES THAN SLOW FREIGHT IS TAKEN BY THE PANAMA ROUTE.

For engagements or passage and freight, apply at No. 177 West-st., corner of Warren-st.

D. H. CARRINGTON, Agent.

FOR NORFOLK, CITY POINT AND RICHMOND.
The new and elegant SIDE-WHEEL steamships HATTERAS, Capt. L. PARISH, every SATURDAY, at 12 M.
ALBEMARLE, Capt. H. A. BOURNE, every WEDNESDAY, at 12 M.
FROM PIER NO. 36 NORTH RIVER.

For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations. Apply to LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., No. 88 Liberty-st.

FOR RICHMOND NORFOLK AND CITY POINT.
The OLD LINE, from Pier No. 21, North River.
NIAGARA, Capt. COUCH,
EVERY SATURDAY, at 3 P. M.
SARATOGA, Capt. KING,
EVERY TUESDAY, at 3 P. M.
G. HEINEKEN & PALMORE,
Agents New-York and Virginia Steamship Co.

FOR WILMINGTON, N. C.—THE A 1 steamship STARLIGHT, PEDRICK, Commander, will leave Pier No. 16 East River, foot of Wall-st., on THURSDAY, July 19, at noon.
ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.
ATLANTIC COAST MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
WEEKLY LINE.
PASSENGER SIDE-WHEEL STEAMERS.
HERMAN LIVINGSTON.....Capt. J. B. BAKER.
GEN. BARNES.....Capt. THOS. H. MORTON.

FREIGHT AT LOWEST RATES.
Cabin passage.....$20
The favorite passenger steamship
GENERAL BARNES,
will leave on THURSDAY, July 19, at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, from Pier No. 36 North River.

For freight or passage, having splendid accommodations, apply to LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, No. 88 Liberty-st.

Agents in Savannah,
WILDER & FULLARTON.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.
PIONEER LINE.
The new and first-class steamship
PERIT,
Capt. E. A. DELANOY.
will leave Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M., on SATURDAY, July 21.

For freight or passage, apply to
LEWIS L. JONES,
No. 13 Broadway.

FOR SAVANNAH, GEORGIA.
The favorite steamship MISSOURI, LOVELAND, Commander, of the Empire Line, will sail on SATURDAY, July 21, punctually, from Pier No. 13 North River.
Passenger accommodations unsurpassed.
GARRISON & ALLEN, No. 5 Bowling-green.

FOR SAVANNAH, GEORGIA.
The favorite steamship SAN SALVADOR, ATKINS Commander, of the Empire Line, will sail on SATURDAY, July 14, punctually at 3 o'clock P. M., from Pier No. 13 North River. Passenger accommodations unsurpassed.
GARRISON & ALLEN. No. 5 Bowling-green.

FOR CHARLESTON S. C.
PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FIRST CABIN PASSAGE.....THIRTY DOLLARS.
EMILY B. SOUDER.....Capt. B. LOCKWOOD.
MONEKA.....Capt. C. P. MARSHMAN.

The above splendid steamships will leave every THURSDAY, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 36 North River, invariably landing cargo at Charleston on Monday morning.

The new and elegant steamship
MONEKA
will leave on THURSDAY, July 19, at 3 o'clock P. M
For freight or passage, with unsurpassed accommodation, apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., No. 88 Liberty-st.
Consignees at Charleston, ARCHIBALD, GETTY & CO. All bills of lading signed on board the vessel.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.—REGULAR line, Pier No. 14 East River, foot of Wall-st. The elegant steamship SARAGOSSA, M. B. CROWELL, Commander, will sail on SATURDAY, July 21, at 3 P. M. Unsurpassed accommodations for passengers. Bills of lading signed on board the vessel.
ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
The new and elegant side-wheel steamship
RALEIGH,
Capt. WALKER.
Will sail for the above port on THURSDAY, July 19, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight and passage, having splendid accommodations, apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO.,
No. 88 Liberty-st.

NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
The New-York Mail Steamship Company's steamship EVENING STAR will leave on SATURDAY, July 21, at 3 P. M., from the Company's pier, No. 4o North River.
For freight or passage apply to
JAMES A. RAYNOR, No. 10 Barclay-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
The new and first-class steamship GEO. CROMWELL, Capt. E. E. VAILL, will leave pier No. 9, North River, on SATURDAY, July 21, at 3 P. M. For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodation, apply to
H. R. CROMWELL & CO., No. 40 West-st.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.
United States passports, indispensable to travelers, issued by J. B. NONES, Passport Agent. No. 262 Broadway.

EXCURSIONS.

STEAM EXCURSION AMONG THE ICEBERGS.
The steamship COMMERCE, under charge of Capt. J. W. DODGE, will leave Boston on the 25th inst., for an EXCURSION TRIP TO LABRADOR,
touching at Sydney, C. B., St. Johns, N. F., and other places of interest, meeting, most probably, the Atlantic Telegraph Fleet, and returning by way of Charlottetown, P. E. I.

This excursion, being the thirteenth which Capt. DODGE has made in this locality, will afford one of the most healthy and pleasant ways of spending the month of August. The splendid shooting and fishing, the delightful scenery, the salubrious air and cool climate, the safety of the steamer and her experienced commander, all combine to render the excursion an extremely attractive one.

Good accommodations and attendance will be provided for passengers of either sex. Cabin passage, covering all expenses, $250. As the steamer will sail promptly on the 25th, places should be secured at once. For particulars address F. W. DODGE, Hampton Falls, N. H., or FRANKLIN KNOW & CO., No. 4 Commerce-street, Boston.

Tickets to be obtained of F. SNOW & CO.

DAILY EXCURSION
TO LONG BRANCH AND RETURN,
EVERY MORNING AT 9 O'CLOCK,
Giving passengers about five hours at Long Branch.
NEW LINE.
On and after Thursday, July 19, the steamboat
WM. H. MARR,
will leave the Pier, south side of Barclay-st. Ferry, (the berth of the Sea-shore Railroad boat,) at 8 A. M., and connect at Sandy Hook with the Long Branch and Sea-shore Railroad for Long Branch.
Returning, will leave Long Branch at 4 P. M.

FOR LAKE SUPERIOR.
Cheapest and most delightful trip in America. Best trout fishing in the world. One of those magnificent steamers METEOR or R. J. CALDWELL, leaves Cleveland every WEDNESDAY at 8 P. M., and Detroit every THURSDAY at 11 P. M. for all Lake Superior ports. Trip occupies ten days. Rooms secured and all information furnished on application to S. P. BRADY & CO., or J. WHITING & CO., Detroit, Mich.; GARRETSON & CO., Cleveland, Ohio.

DAILY EXCURSIONS DOWN THE BAY.—Delightful Summer excursions by the favorite steamer JESSE HOOT, daily, (Sundays excepted,) from Pier No. 2, foot of Duane-st., North River, at 11 A. M., embracing a sail through the Narrows and Lower Bay past Forts Lafayette and Hamilton, &c., to Port Monmouth, returning to New-York, arriving at 2:30 P. M. Fare for the round trip 75 cents; children under 10 years of age half price.
WM. N. CLAYTON, Sup't.

EXCURSIONS—FOR EXCURSION AND PICNIC PARTIES—The large steamboat GEORGE WASHINGTON, barges WALTER SANDS, WM. JAY HASKETT and WM. H. MORTON, with other steamboats and barges; also Dudley's Grove, Myers' Grove and Alderney Park, a new grove. Apply to W. & E. MYERS & CO., foot of Morton-st.

FOR EXCURSIONS—CROSSBIT'S GROVE—The favorite steamboats CHICOPEE and HENRY SMITH, the barges ANNA and WILLIAM ROBERTS, and other groves' boats and barges such as desired. No. 382 West-st., near Christopher
HENRY B. CROSSETT.

STEAMBOATS.

STEAMBOAT LINE FOR BRIDGEPORT.
The steamboat BRIDGEPORT, Capt. CHAS. WEEKS, leaves New-York daily (Sundays excepted) from Pier No. 35 East River, foot of Catharine-st., at 12 o'clock M., connecting with Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroads, arriving at Bridgeport in time for the accommodation trains on New-York and New-Haven Railroad going east and west. Returning, will leave Bridgeport, from Naugatuck Railroad wharf, EVERY NIGHT (Saturdays excepted) at 11 o'clock P. M. The new and splendid steamer J. B. SCHUYLER, Capt. JOAN MCNEIL, leaves New-York from same pier EVERY AFTERNOON (Sundays excepted) at 3:30 P. M., arriving at Bridgeport in time to connect with the New-York and New-Haven Railroad train for Stratford, Milford and New-Haven. Returning—Will leave Bridgeport from Housatonic Railroad wharf daily (Sundays excepted) at 7½ A. M., on arrival of early morning trains on Housatonic, Naugatuck and New-York and New-Haven Railroads. Freight received daily and forwarded at lowest rates.
CHARLES ROCKWELL, Superintendent.
WM. H. WILCOX, agent on Pier.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.
LONG BRANCH AND SEASHORE RAILROAD.
The new and commodious steamer,
WILLIAM COOK,
Capt. L. F. FRAZEE, will leave the south side of the Pier at the foot of Barclay-st., daily, Sundays excepted, at 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., and Pier No. 1 North River, at 4:15 P. M.

Returning the Baggage and Way Lane, will leave Long Branch at 7:30 A. M., 7:30 A. M., express, and 1 P. M. express, 7:10 A. M. and 1 P. M., stopping at Atlanticville, Jumping Point, and Highland Stations.

The express train will leave at 7:30 A. M., and go through without stopping. At 4 P. M. train from Long Branch, and the 4 P. M. line from New-York connect with stages for Deal, Shark River and Squan. No baggage received on the boat. Pier No. 1.

Baggage delivered in any part of the City.
M. PAUL, Superintendent.

FOR ORIENT POINT, ORIENT, GREENPORT AND SAG HARROR
The new and first-class steamer EDWARD EVERETT, Capt. HENRY TATTERSON, from Pier No. 38 East River, foot Market-st., every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY at 6 P. M., returning will leave Bay Harbor every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY at 4 P. M. (Passengers forwarded to Bridgehampton, East Hampton and Southampton, and all points on Peconic Bay free of charge.)

For freight or passage apply on board, or to ISAAC S. TUTHILL, Agent, No. 5 James-slip.
N. L. MCCREADY & CO.,
No. 36 South-st.

THE OLD LINE
FOR ORIENT POINT, ORIENT, GREENPORT AND SAG HARBOR.
The new and elegant steamer ARTISAN, Capt. G. C. GIBBS, leaves Pier No. 43, (foot of Rutgers-st.,) East River, for the above places, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS, at 5 o'clock P. M. Returning, leaves Sag Harbor MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at 4 o'clock P. M. Passengers by this line will be forwarded to Bridgehampton, East Hampton and Southampton free of charge. Staterooms can be engaged in advance upon application to the clerk on board, or to WILLIAMS BROTHERS, No. 5 Beekman-st.

SHREWSBURY AND LONG BRANCH, Sandy Hook, Highlands, Port Washington, Mount's and Brown's Dock, Fairhaven and Red Bank.—Fare 25 cents; freight on light barrels, 12½c.; tight barrels, 20c. The new and splendid steamer SEA BIRD, Capt. H. B. PARKER, will leave pier foot of Chambers-st. as follows:

LEAVES NEW-YORK.	LEAVES RED BANK.
JULY.	JULY.
Sunday, 15, at 8 A. M	Sunday, 15, at 4½ P. M.
Monday, 16, 7½ A. M.	Monday, 16, 11 A. M.

DAY LINE STEAMBOATS.—C. VIBBARD and DANIEL DREW will leave Desbrosses-st. daily at 7:45 A. M., and 3th-st. at 8 A. M., for Albany and Troy. Landing at Yonkers, Cozzens, West Point, Newburgh, Poughkeepsie, Rhinebeck, Hudson, Catskill and Hudson. A light-draft steamboat will on arrival at Albany carry passengers and baggage to Troy, making close connections with the New-York Central Railroad. No freight, horses or carriages received.

DAY BOAT FOR POUGHKEEPSIE,—Leaves foot of Barclay-st. every MONDAY, May 21, the steamboat ARMENIA will leave Desbrosses-st. at 9 A. M., and 34th-st. at 9½, landing at Yonkers, Grassy Point, Cozzens', West Point, Cold Spring, Cornwall, Newburgh, New-Hamburgh and Milton. Returning, leave Poughkeepsie at 2 P. M.

REDUCTION OF FARE, WESTWARD, VIA DAY LINE OF STEAMERS—Daily from foot of Desbrosses-st. at 7:45, and 34th-st. at 8 A. M., and New-York Central Railroad from Albany.

New-York to Montreal	$11 40
New-York to Saratoga	3 45
New-York to Syracuse	5 03
New-York to Rochester	6 72
New-York to Buffalo, Suspension Bridge, or via Falls	8 25

TROY EVENING LINE FOR ALBANY AND TROY AT 6 P. M.—Fare reduced to $1; $2 45 to Saratoga, every day except Saturday; fare on Sunday, $2. Steamers CONSTITUTION and HENDRICK VAN WINKLE from Harrison-st. Pier, connecting with the New-York Central, West, and checking baggage and ticketing to all points north.

FOR NORWALK DIRECT—CONNECTING WITH THE DANBURY RAILROAD.—The new swift steamboat NEVERSINK leaves Pier No. 37, East River, (foot of Market-st.,) EVERY AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock. Returning, leaves Norwalk at 7:45 A. M., on arrival of railroad trains. Fare, 75 cents. Excursion tickets, $1 25.

FOR SAUGERTIES—LANDING AT RHINEbeck, Barrytown and Tivoli. The steamer ANSONIA will leave foot of Beach-st. every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, at 5 P. M. Returning leave Saugerties every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, at 5 P. M. Conveyances to be had from the landing to the Catskill Mountain House.

STEAMBOAT FOR NEWARK AND BERGEN POINT.—The steamboat THOS. P. WAY leaves foot of Barclay-st. for Newark, stopping at Bergen Point each way, at 10 A. M. and 4½ P. M.; leaves Newark, foot of Centre-st., at 7½ A. M. and 1½ P. M. Sundays, leaves Newark at 8 A. M. and 2 P. M. New-York, 10½ A. M. and 4½ P. M.

FOR PROVIDENCE DIRECT—THE NEW side-wheel steamer CITY OF PROVIDENCE, Capt. GEO. B. RAMSDELL, leaves North River, every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY at 5 P. M. For freight or passage apply on board, or to E. PHILLIPS, No. 216 Franklin-st.

CITY ISLAND, NEW-ROCHELLE AND CO. NECK.—The steamer CITY ISLAND, Capt. MARIE, leaves Rutgers-slip, East River, daily, at 4 P. M., for the above named places. Returning, reaches the City at 9:15 A. M. Fare each way 40 cents.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD AND WHITE MOUNTAINS—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., connecting with railroad.

RAILROADS.

WHITE MOUNTAINS, LAKES MEMPHREMAGOG AND WILLOUGHBY
(The finest lake scenery in the United States.)
VIA CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY.
70 MILES SHORTER THAN ANY OTHER ROUTE.

Leave New-York *via* New-Haven Railroad at 12:15, (noon,) 3 or 8 P. M., or by New-Haven Steamer, Peck Slip, at 3:15 P. M.

On and after the 12:15 train (sleeping cars attached) goes through to the Lake without stop.

Maps and particulars in Appleton's Railway Guide and Burt's Guide of Connecticut River Valley.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROAD.—On and after Monday, May 14, 1866, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:

7:45 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-ave. to Tivoli and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.

10 A. M.—Express train via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for North.

11 A. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, etc.; at Albany with trains for West, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga Springs, Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.

4 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with trains for West, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping-car attached.

5 P. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs and Pittsfield; at Albany with trains for West, and at Troy with trains for Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.

7 P. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs and Pittsfield; at Albany with trains for West, and at Troy with trains for Rutland, Burlington and Montreal, with sleeping-cars attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping-car every day excepting Saturdays attached from New-York through to Ogdensburgh without change, via Rome, W. and O. Railroad. This train will run on Sundays. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany.

12 P. M. Night train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-car attached, arriving at Albany and Troy in the morning, and connecting with trains for North and West.

WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry:

7:45 A. M.—Day Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk, and all points West and South.
8:30 A. M.—Way Train daily to Goshen.
10 A. M.—Express Mail, Buffalo, Salamanca and West.
3 P. M.—Way Train, for Middletown.
4:30 P. M.—Way, for Port Jervis, Newburgh, Warwick.
5:30 P. M.—Night Express, Buffalo, Salamanca and Dunkirk.
7 P. M.—Lightning Express, daily, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk, and all points West and South.
8 P. M.—Emigrant Train, daily, for the West.

Express trains run in direct connection with all Southern and Western lines.

W. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass. Agent. H. RIDDLE, Gen'l Sup't.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD—SPRING TIME TABLE FROM MAY 7.
Leave James-slip, New-York:
8 A. M., for Greenport and way stations.
10:30 A. M., for Syosset and way stations.
3:30 P. M., Express train, for Greenport.
4:30 P. M., for Syosset and way stations.
5:30 P. M., for North Islip and way stations, and on Saturday nights to Yaphank.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY—Trains leave Jersey City for Piermont at 5:00 and 9:12 A. M., and 1:15, 4:22, 5:23 and 6:25 P. M. Saturdays only at 11:15 P. M. The 9:12, 4:22, and 6:25 run through to Monsey.
THOMAS W. DEMAREST, Superintendent.

TO LET.

FURNISHED COTTAGE TO LET—FOR the Summer, at Flushing, L. I., within five minutes' walk of depot. For terms apply to S. S. RIKER, No. 150 Nassau-st.

TO LET—NICE FIRST FLOOR, ALSO A SECond floor and cottage, near the Asylum for the Blind. Houses, &c., rented, by V. E. HATCH, Agent, No. 373 5th-av.

TO LET—A ROOM TO SUIT TWO GENTLEMEN; hot and cold water, bath and gas. Apply at No. 186 2d-av., between 11th and 12th sts. Dinner at 6.

A FURNISHED ROOM TO LET TO ONE or two single gentlemen. Apply at No. 117 East Broadway.

FURNISHED ROOM TO LET TO ONE or two single gentlemen. Inquire at No. 187 Henry-st.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

WANTED—A GOOD THREE-STORY BRICK house, with improvements, in a fair neighborhood in New-York or Brooklyn. No one with fancy prices need answer. Address, giving location, price, &c., X. Y. Z., New-York Post-office.

WANTED—A MODERATE-PRICED COUNTRY place of 4 or 5 acres, within one hour of the City Hall, with water front or commanding view; must be within easy and frequent access. With full particulars, address F. E., box No. 5,644 New-York Post-office.

FOR SALE.

GEO. W. SIMMONS JR.,
REAL ESTATE BROKER,
No. 96 Broadway, New-York.

Purchase, sale, leasing, exchange, care and management of real estate. Prompt collection of rents, dividends and interest. Investments made.

References—Messrs. Slade & Colby, Geo. F. Noyes, Esq., Rev. H. W. Bellows, D. D., Messrs. F. Skinner & Co., Charles E. Strong, Esq., Messrs. Carpenter, Vail & Fuller.

S. W. BENEDICT,
REAL ESTATE AND LOAN BROKER,
Nos. 4 and 6 Pine-st. Room No. 3.

ELEGANT COUNTRY SEAT, WITH FOUR ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE—Situated one mile from the village of New-Rochelle, 17¾ miles by rail from the commands a fine view of Long Island Sound; the house contains 16 rooms, exclusive of kitchen; has all the conveniences of a first-class City residence, hot and cold water throughout, stationary tubs, bath-room, &c.; is built of brick, stuccoed, has been recently painted inside and out, and is in perfect order; has a perfectly appointed stable and porter's lodge; gardens and grounds in a high state of cultivation; abundance of fruit and ornamental shrubbery; part of furniture and carpets can be had with the house; also, horses, harness, with a variety of carriages and wagons of the most

THE WAR IN EUROPE.

Continued from First Page.

dcult task of taking Custozza and Monte Torre, at the same time resisting the continual and violent attacks of the enemy against the Ninth Corps at Somma Campagna and at Casa del Sole. The enemy, headed by the Princes HUMBERT and AMADEUS, endeavored with their troops *d'élite* to advance to Staffalo, and to hold Custozza; but the Ninth Corps repulsed vigorously every attack, and finally, toward 7 o'clock in the evening, the Seventh Corps, supported by the brigade of the Fifth Corps, succeeded in taking possession of Custozza. The reserve cavalry, under Col. PULZZ, with the eight squadrons of Col. BENANOVICS, had been engaged with varying success in a series of combats from 4 o'clock in the morning until nightfall. This valiant body, which performed prodigies of valor and devotedness under its excellent leader, experienced, chiefly from the impetuosity of its attacks, considerable losses. Upon the approach of night the two cavalry brigades were drawn back behind Dossabuone. Still at 9 o'clock the fire of artillery was heard in the direction of the Ninth Corps and the Pultz brigade. The enemy had ceased all resistence, and clouds of dust in the direction of Goito and Valeggio marked his line of retreat toward the Mincio. It is impossible not to admit that the enemy fought with determination and bravery. His earlier attacks especially were impetuous, and the officers set good examples to their soldiers. The enemy brought into line of battle, under the eyes of the King and under the orders of the Princes HUMBERT and AMADEUS, (who was wounded,) the entire *corps d'armée* of DURANDO and DELLA ROCCA, as well as, according to the statements of prisoners, a great part of the corps of CUCCIARI and of several regiments of cavalry; in all nearly 11 divisions of infantry, representing a force of nearly 100,000 men, together with almost all his reserve artillery. But it was impossible to resist the tried and persevering bravery and devotedness of the Imperial troops. Our losses in killed and wounded are not slight, which may be explained by the impetuous ardor of our troops. Until detailed reports have reached me I am not in a position to state the precise figures. According to an approximative calculation we have made nearly 3,000 prisoners, including very many officers. We have also taken some guns, but the exact number has not yet been ascertained. I believe that the great victory of Custozza will produce still further effect, as symptoms of demoralization and of dissolution manifested themselves in the Italian army on the evening after the capture at Custozza by the numerous prisoners, who had eaten nothing for forty-eight hours. In returning beyond the Mincio the enemy burnt the fine bridge of Valeggio, which he left 500 wounded. In the same night he evacuated Villafranca, where he likewise abandoned a great number of his wounded."

Italian Official Account of the Battle.

MILAN, Wednesday, June 27.

The following official details have been published here this morning:

"Exact accounts received concerning the action of the 24th inst. represent it as very honorable to the Italian arms. The field of battle remained partly to the Austrians and partly to us. If we retired, they also retired, so that our wounded were able to rejoin us twenty-four hours later. The Austrians displayed an enormous force of artillery. They employed all their regiments of cavalry. The whole of their forces amounted to about 60,000 men. The Italian troops did not abandon the conquered positions until after the enemy had received powerful reinforcements in the afternoon hours. The greatest part of the troops performed prodigies of valor; the Austrians are assuredly convinced that the Italian army is in no way inferior to the old Sardinian army. Prince HUMBERT, with admirable bravery and intrepidity, when attacked beyond Villafranca by two regiments of Uhlans, formed a square and repulsed them with repeated volleys. The Fourth Battalion of the Forty-ninth Regiment was proud to receive the Prince in its square, which was the special object of the Uhlans' attacks. Prince AMADEUS was wounded in the breast at the head of his brigade of Lombard Grenadiers. The Pianell Division took prisoner a whole battalion of Tyrolese sharpshooters. The Govone Division took by assault the position of Custozza and part of Montetorre, of which the enemy had succeeded in obtaining possession, and that division maintained it there until evening against repeated attacks of greatly superior forces. The Cerale Division seized upon part of Montetorre and Monte Croce, and held out there until a late hour. The Sirtori division took Santa Lucia, and defended itself there until evening against greatly superior forces. The reserve of the First Army Corps, on the mountains to the left of Valleggio, arrested the progress of the preponderating forces before which the Cerale division had been compelled to retire. The Bixio division and the cavalry of the line covered the retreat, which was made in order. The Italian cavalry sustained many fierce encounters with the Austrian cavalry, upon which it inflicted very heavy losses. The Third Army Corps made about 1,000 prisoners. Our losses are serious, but those of the enemy are not less heavy. Gen. VILLAREZ was killed by a musket ball while cheering on his men with the cry of "*Viva il Re!*" to attack with the bayonet. DURANDO (commanding First Army Corps,) wounded in the hand, had his horse killed under him by a cannon shot. CERALE, GOZZANO, and DEO, (Italian Generals) are also wounded, the last named receiving three lance thrusts while charging at the head of a party of guides forming his escort. All are anxious again to meet the enemy."

The Situation in Front of the Quadrilateral—Incapacity of La Marmora.

From the London Times, July 4.

The army under King VICTOR EMMANUEL is still concentrated near Cremona, with its headquarters at Malamberti, between the latter town and Piadena. Austrian hussars patrol the right bank of the Mincio, pushing their reconnaissance from Goito to the banks of the Chiese, not without an occasional brush with Italian chasseurs and lancers. GARIBALDI has come down from Salo to Desenzano, and 20,000 of his volunteers swarm upon that region of low hills which stretches along the southern shore of the Lake of Garda from Lonato almost to the outworks of Peschiera. The Austrian gunboats from the latter stronghold have the command of the lake, and are said to have dislodged the Garibaldians from some point they had fortified on the western shore. Of the movements of the Austrians who had invaded Valtellina, from the Stelvio, and Val Camonica, from the Tonale, nothing further is heard. The Austrians seem satisfied with keeping a good look-out, and show no disposition to venture across the frontier in force, notwithstanding vague reports current yesterday in Paris to the contrary.

So long as the Austrian remains on the defensive, he may, *ex interiori*, overcome his fretting enemy by equal inactivity. It would not be easy for the most sanguine friend of the Italians to point out to them any plausible plan of campaign. *Of what stuff their army is composed of was sufficiently proved by their first mad onset.* We require no better evidence than that of their love for fighting and their courage. It is the archduke ALBRECHT, in his report, bears witness to the "bravery and obstinacy" displayed by the ITALIANS—"the impetuosity, especially, of their first attacks, and the example given by the officers to their soldiers;" and a private letter from an officer in Verona mentions the extremely gallant behavior of the hostile army, and especially of the infantry, which he describes as "*unendlich tapfer.*" But against the Quadrilateral, the Italians must know, heroism is of no avail, *and there is little chance of their obtaining Venetia unless the Prussians conquer it for them.*

On the other hand, inaction among a race like the Italians is but too likely soon to breed those fatal ills of dissention, mistrust and jealousy which have damaged the cause of Italian patriotism on so many former occasions. The army and the people, who know much less than we do, as yet, of the particulars of the fight of the 24th, exaggerate both its bright and dark side. The Italians, they think, had all but conquered on that fatal day; their victory would have been certain, had they only been better led. The name of LA MARMORA, at no time very popular among a certain class of patriots, is now coupled with that of Custozza, a disaster attributed to his rashness no less than to his incapacity. An attack on his Quadrilateral, it is now discovered by the malcontents, was the act of a madman, but there was not even method in LA MARMORA's madness; he went into the field blindfold, and hurled half his army into the jaws of death without knowing how to bring up the other half to its rescue. LA MARMORA, indeed, it is universally allowed, has rendered incalculable service to his country, especially by the reorganization of its army. But, however qualified he may be by his strength or character, and even by his very narrowness of mind, for such a duty, his detractors say he has no knowledge of either strategy or tactics, and has *never before either planned a campaign or had the chief command in a battle.* The real fighting General, it is rumored, is CIALDINI, the hero of the campaign of the Marches and of Gaeta; and it is further alleged that professional jealousy removed him from the King's councils at the supreme moment, and prevented him from taking part in a struggle of which he might, perhaps, have otherwise determined the issue.

Loudest in these unreasonable outcries of discontent are the Volunteers. Fault-finding and grumbling are common to other people beside the English. But the Italians are apt to put into the utterance of their dissatisfaction an acrimony unknown among people of Northern blood; they indulge feelings of mutual suspicion and ill-will to an extent that passes the comprehension of many of their neighbors. Let us hope that the Italians will not by their divisions damage a cause that has so great a hold on many men's sympathies, that they will not have forgotten their sins of 1848, nor the heavy penalty with which they had to atone them.

The Policy of France.

PARIS, Tuesday, July 3.

The *Constitutionnel* of this morning publishes an article signed by M. BONIFACE, with the object, as stated by the writer, of tranquillizing the public mind, and placing the policy of the Emperor in a better light. France had no reason, he continues, to associate herself with the passions that demanded war, but she cannot, on the other hand, remained unconcerned if a great struggle commences and be indifferent to its results. The French Government has well informed all of its double resolution. It has not sought, and does not even seize an opportunity of war, but neither does it admit that one of the belligerent parties should in consequence of the success it might obtain, seek to secure advantages of a nature to modify the state of Europe, thus creating fresh causes of disturbance. If the Emperor desired war in order to obtain satisfaction or advantage, he would have intervened at the commencement, and would not have allowed his allies to become weakened in order not to have to restore their conquests. It would be necessary then for the grave circumstances to arise, such as those pointed out by the Imperial letter, to determine the Emperor to interfere. A war has now commenced requiring very great efforts and sacrifices on both sides. Whoever may be the victor will come out of the contest sufficiently tried to fear to expose himself to a fresh struggle, and will not wish, in the conditions of peace, to reestablish any of those grievances which would excite the just susceptibilities of France.

FIVE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

The America at this Port and the Nova Scotian at Father Point.

The Ministerial Crisis in Great Britain.

Formation of a New Cabinet by Lord Derby.

Serious Accident to the Prince of Wales.

Sailing of the Great Eastern for Valencia Bay.

An Official Visit to the Monitor Miantonomoh.

GENERAL CONTINENTAL NEWS.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

The steamship *America*, from Southampton July 4, arrived at this port yesterday morning, with three days later from Europe.

The *Malta* arrived July 1.

The *Chloris*, from Galveston, arrived at Liverpool July 1.

The *Pride of the Ocean*, from New-York, arrived at Gravesend July 1.

The *City of Paris* arrived out at 5:30 A. M., on Monday, July 2, and the *Hibernian* arrived out on Monday, July 2. The *Hudson* and *Jura*, from New-Orleans, the *Cutting*, from New-York, the *Cuba*, from New-York, all arrived out July 2.

The *Louisana* arrived out July 3.

The steamship *Nova Scotian*, from Liverpool July 5, *viâ* Londonderry July 6, passed Father Point last evening.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The New Ministry.

From the London Times, July 3.

Lord DERBY had an interview with Her Majesty yesterday, and submitted a list of names which the Queen was pleased to approve. On account of the marriage of the Princess HELENA, the Council will not be held till Friday, but on that day the present Ministers will resign office, and Lord DERBY and his colleagues will formally receive their appointments. Public curiosity attaches, of course, exclusively to the distribution of the great offices of State, and we cannot do better than simply state Lord DERBY's arrangements.

He will, it need not be said, be himself First Lord of the Treasury and leader of the Government in the House of Lords. Mr. DISRAELI returns to his post as Chancellor of the Exchequer, and will as before be the chief representative of the Ministry in the House of Commons. Lord CLARENDON will be succeeded by Lord STANLEY. The character of the new Foreign Secretary is a guarantee that the illiberal sympathies in Continental matters with which the Tories have been, justly or unjustly, charged will not influence the action of the new Government. The Secretaryship of the Colonies is to be taken by Lord CARNARVON. This post has been often carelessly bestowed, as if the direction of fifty dependencies in different parts of the globe were the natural gift of any one who possesses Parliamentary talents or political influence. Of late years the Colonial Office has demanded the keenest judgment and foresight, and we trust that Lord CARNARVON's undoubted ability and industry will enable him to fulfill the functions of his office not less capably than his immediate predecessor. Mr. WALPOLE will be again Home Secretary, Lord CRANBORNE probably goes to the India Office, and Gen. PEEL will be again Secretary for War. The Great Seal will be held by Lord CHELMSFORD. The Duke of Buckingham will, be believe, be President of the Council, Sir STAFFORD NORTHCOTE President of the Board of Trade, and Mr. GATHORNE HARDY President of the Poor-Law Board. Sir JOHN PACKINGTON will probably return to the Admiralty. The minor appointments are, we believe, not yet definitively arranged, but it is said that Lord LONGFORD, who is eminently fit for the place, will be Under-Secretary for War.

Ireland will be a difficulty to the new Government. The choice Lord DERBY has had to make of a Lord-Lieutenant is certainly unfortunate. His party contains several men who might fairly be trusted with the Government of Ireland, but who ever thought of Lord JOHN MANNERS for such a place? This amiable but unprogressive Nobleman is to receive a Peerage and to be sent to Ireland as Lord-Lieutenant, with Lord NAAS as Secretary. Lord JOHN MANNERS is brother and heir presumptive of a Duke, but has no other quality which can entitle him to respect as the successor of Lord KIMBERLEY. We trust we have been misinformed as to an appointment which we cannot bring ourselves to discuss seriously.

Great Reform Meeting in Trafalgar-Square.

On Monday night a meeting took place in Trafalgar-square, in connection with Reform. At the very lowest computation from 30,000 to 50,000 persons were present. No attempt was made to interfere with the meeting. The people were most orderly.

Accident to the Prince of Wales.

From the London Times, July 2.

An accident, of which the consequences might have been very serious, happened to the Prince of Wales in Rotten-row, about a quarter-past 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. His Royal Highness, who was riding at a foot's pace with one of his Equerries and two ladies, had just reached the south end of the row, nearest to the Queen's Gate, was in the act of turning, when a gentleman, who seemed to have lost all control over his horse, suddenly dashed at full speed down the incline, and into the very midst of the party. The Prince's horse, being right in the path of the charging horseman, and receiving the shock on its flank, on shoulder, was instantly knocked down, turning over like a rabbit struck by shot, and apparently rolling upon its rider, while the intruder passed clear over both. For a moment it seemed impossible that the Prince could escape without injury to life or limb from the struggles of his own horse. He disengaged himself, however, and got up without assistance, though at first he looked somewhat shaken, and as if suffering from a blow on the head. Recovering almost instantly, and never losing his self-possession for a moment, he seated himself on a bench close by, while the horse was being caught, and his hat and cane picked up by the bystanders. Long before any great crowd of equestrians had time to collect he had mounted again, and, rejoining the ladies, was riding homeward as if nothing had occurred, but not without some visible traces of the fall upon his face and dress. It was altogether a very narrow escape, as the few who witnessed it can testify, and the Prince's composure in a very trying position did great credit to his presence of mind and good humor. If not quite unhurt, he may well congratulate himself on having come off with nothing worse than a few bruises from a collision that might easily have proved fatal.

Whether the unfortunate author, or agent, of the catastrophe has been identified, and whether any particular blame attaches to him, is more than we can say. It was natural, perhaps, that he should appear chiefly confounded at the time, and that he should inhibited far less nerve than His Royal Highness. It is an unpleasant sensation, at best, to be run away with, and one cannot help pitying a man who, being run away with, finds himself helplessly riding down the heir-apparent to the crown. But why should people take horses into Rotten-row which they cannot hold or manage, and why should they be allowed to ride at a pace which endangers the lives of others? These are questions which are becoming very urgent, and the marvel is, not that collisions should now and then occur, but that they are not of daily occurrence. Nothing can be easier than to prevent galloping when the row is thronged, and, still more, galloping on the wrong side. Why should not the park-keepers take riders to task for gross breaches of the condition upon which they are admitted to what is virtually, during certain hours of the day, an equestrian promenade. The mere dislike of being thus singled out and becoming the object of remark would generally be sufficient to deter persons from offending, and such interference on the part of the park-keepers would certainly be supported by the great majority of riders. Let us hope that, after so emphatic a warning, better discipline may be enforced, and that his Royal Highness may have the satisfaction of knowing that he has not incurred the risk of a violent death in vain.

AMERICAN TOPICS.

The Fourth of July in England—The United States and England as Allies.

From the London Times, July 4.

To-day an anniversary recurs which Americans will celebrate with rejoicing and pride throughout their own Continent, and in every foreign land where their lot may be temporarily cast. It is ninety years since their nation began an independent life, under circumstances of apparent disadvantage; but through each succeeding year the world has seen it thrive and flourish, gathering to itself the surplus strength of mankind, and for an unexampled period encountering no impediment to its progress. There are nations, like individuals, which seem born to an inheritance of good fortune, and American history knew nothing of internal calamities or vicissitudes of eighty-five years, but retained only the enviable characteristic of the mother country. It is this marvelous success which the Americans as a people now meet together to acknowledge on the Fourth of July. It is not so much the triumph of a principle as the realization of an idea which they celebrate. That America could not be what she now is under any other form of Government than a democracy may be seriously believed by many who will let off fireworks and make speeches to-day in her cities and towns, but there is also a discriminating class who feel that political systems are of secondary consequence in a country where every man may have land of his own for the asking. A people who know nothing of poverty as a necessary and inevitable condition of life may be easily governed, and it matters little so far as their prosperity is concerned whether the person who represents them in the chief place of authority is called a King or a President. No man who has to make his own way in the world will ever despond after he has seen America, for there a modest competency lies ready to the hand of all, and it is the buoyancy and elasticity of spirit created by the knowledge of this fact which causes the American people to treat their troubles so light and forget them so soon. They fear nothing, for everything goes well with them. They are attached to their country because they have found it an easy one to live in, and they are proud of it because in less than a century it has taken a foremost position among the nations of the world. America is not a harsh mother to her children; she casts none of them forth poor and friendless to seek their fortunes elsewhere; she receives besides the destitute of the world, and turns them into prosperous and contented citizens. Her means are inexhaustible, and it is rare that the possessor of such advantages is not popular. It is therefore love of their own country, not hatred of another, which moves Americans to meet together to-day. There was a time, no doubt, when the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence was observed solely because it offered an occasion for exulting over England. That sentiment may still inspire the orations which will amuse the rising generation in the streets of the United States this afternoon, but all enlightened Americans are heartily ashamed of it. As a people they are growing superior to their old animosities and prejudices, and regard them as unworthy alike of their present fortune and their future destiny.

There has been another influence at work besides that exercised by time in changing the light in which Americans look upon their favorite anniversary. They have a greater triumph to commemorate in that which gives them an independent existence a little earlier than they would have acquired it by less violent means. Five years ago their national birthday was almost forgotten in the excitement of civil war, and even on this day a twelvemonth back the tide of suffering and loss which had swept over the country was too keenly remembered to admit of much rejoicing over memories or abstractions. What the Americans have to congratulate themselves upon now is a country at peace and with its main strength unimpaired. The conflicting sections at the North and South are not in harmony together, but they never were, and to the American mind there is no danger in what we, reasoning from European examples, would consider the unsettled condition of the country. Graver difficulties than those caused by a party anxious to keep in power at whatever cost to their fellow-citizens have menaced the United States within the past five years, and the people have successfully dealt with them all.

They believe thoroughly in themselves and in their destiny. Gradually the apprehensions of fresh strife have disappeared, and we may be sure that whatever troubles are in store for the Americans as the after consequence of their war will be met in a steady and indomitable spirit. They may make the epoch they commemorate to-day for an analogy to their present position. When their effort for independence was consummated they found themselves under the necessity of bringing the States into one general bond of Government, and it was not without many demands on one side and concessions on the other that this result was secured. That the work was not done so perfectly as that it should never be open to objection in after times is only to acknowledge that JEFFERSON and his colleagues could not foresee and provide against the contingencies of eighty years. Now it is for their successors to take up their task, and if the Americans are contented to wait patiently for its completion the rest of the world may well be equally forbearing. While Lincoln advised his countrymen, in his farewell address, to "cherish a cordial, habitual, and immovable attachment" to the Union, and to resist "every attempt to alienate any portion of their country from the rest." The Americans may fairly say they have obeyed the injunction, and are obeying it still. No political faction has been allowed to keep States practically excluded from the Union for any length of time. The people may stand by in silence and see the attempts made, but their constant sense of fairness and justice will dictate to them at what moment they ought to interfere. Thus in the prospect before the American nation we can find nothing to excite misgivings. He can see European monarchies effaced with indifference, for their existence cannot further, and their destruction cannot retard, the interests of his country. He cares nothing for the "balance of power," except as an object of curiosity. America could support itself if all the rest of the world were shut out from it. The only two Powers of Europe in which an American takes any great interest are England and France, and while they are at peace he looks upon other wars as an absurd mimicry of the stupendous struggle lately closed in his own land. We may, if we please, call this a selfish but narrow view, but other nations besides Americans are apt to consider events important or otherwise according to the degree in which they affect themselves. The American who is traveling in Europe at this moment cannot be blamed for finding satisfaction in the thought that his Government is not likely to become entangled in the quarrel which is spreading the horrors of war over half the Continent. We do not know where the strife may stop, but he knows that it cannot extend across the Atlantic.

We in England have an interest of our own in this Fourth of July, if we regard the day in the way Americans look upon it, as a commemoration of a long history. The relations between the two countries are becoming more friendly and substantial than they have been for some years past, and it is needless to recall in proof of this the instances of goodwill shown toward us by the present Government at Washington. Almost on the eve of a general election it has dared arraying against itself the opposition of a large and powerful class in order to enforce a strict observance of the neutrality laws; it has treated other questions which might have given rise to embarrassments and ill-feeling in a spirit of great moderation, and we may fairly hope that there is no point of difference that might possibly arise between us which the President and his counselors would not approach with the sincere desire to effect a just accommodation. That so good an understanding should be strengthened and made enduring must be the earnest wish alike of every American and every Englishman who truly understands the interests of the two countries. In the destiny of America the destiny of mankind must be closely involved; and the bigger and nobler the aims of her people the more certain they will be of attaching to themselves the lasting sympathies and good-will of this country.

THE MIANTONOMAH.

The Miantonomah at Spithead—Experimental Firing for the Benefit of English Visitors.

From the London Times, July 2.

This formidable war vessel, which, as the first American turret-ship that has visited the shores of Europe, created such an extraordinary degree of interest during her recent visits to the anchorages at Queenstown and Spithead, sailed from the latter roadstead early on Saturday morning for Cherbourg, where she will remain a short time open, as she has been to us, to the admiration and criticism of our good friends and allies across the Channel. From Cherbourg existing understood arrangements send the *Miantonomah* to the Medway or the Thames, as the case may be. She is expected to call again at Spithead on her return down Channel from the Baltic. During the stay of the ship at both Queenstown and Spithead she was, during each day, open to the admission of all visitors. Thousands of people availed themselves of the opportunity, and all must have left her impressed with the kindness with which they were received by the officers and the untiring pains taken to explain all the numerous details of the plan and fittings of the ship's hull, turrets, armor and guns. We have learnt much from the visit of the *Miantonomah*, and her officers will not go from our shores without having added to their previous knowledge of the manner in which guns may be fought in revolving iron towers on board a ship.

In their visit to the *Miantonomah* at Spithead on Friday last, the Lords of the Admiralty were accompanied by the Hon. G. V. Fox, the Assistant Secretary of the United States Navy; Capt. COWPER PHIPPS COLES, R. N.; Capt. BYTHESEA, R. N., N. C., Naval Attaché to the British Embassy at Washington; Lord JOHN HAY, M. P.; the Earl of Wilton, Commodore of the Royal Yacht squadron; Mr. WESTLEY RICHARDS, &c., in addition to a number of naval officers and others mentioned in the morning's list.

The Duke of Somerset, with the Comptroller and other members of the Board of Admiralty, having been conducted over the ship by Captain BEAUMONT, and minutely inspected her on deck and below, took up a position on the raised hurricane deck, in company with Hon. Mr. Fox, to witness the firing of two shots from the enormous 15-inch smooth-bore guns which form her turret armament. The officers and crew of the ship took up their respective positions at general quarters, all hatches were securely battened down, the supply of air below was provided for by setting the ventilating fans in motion, and the ship in every respect prepared for action at sea. These preparations having been made, a visit to the deck below demonstrated clearly enough that, although in certain portions of the 'tween deck the atmosphere felt slightly oppressive after just leaving the open of the upper deck, the air was really cool, as proved by the thermometer hanges, and the ship might be fought through a long Summer day's action under the same conditions without distress to any on board from heat beyond what would necessarily be found in any ordinary steamship of war.

The first gun fired was charged with a 35-pound powder cartridge and a *sabot* live shell, at extreme elevation. The effect was very grand as the vast globe of metal, propelled from the mouth of the gun with a deep hoarse roar went hurtling on its course until it fell at an estimated distance of about 3,500 yards from the ship.

The second gun was charged with 35 pounds of powder, a solid iron shot of 460 pounds, and fired point blank. If the last shot was grand, as exhibiting the flight of a 15-inch shell, this was more interesting, as exhibiting—what we have as yet made no provision for in rifling our heavy navy artillery—the perfection of *ricochet* firing. The immense ball spun along its course over the surface of the water as truly as the cricketer's pall passes over the green sward toward the wicket. The report of the explosion, the concussion felt, and the smoke which entered the turrets on the firing of the guns were neither more nor less than would be naturally expected in firing 37-pound powder charges.

The working of the guns on board the *Miantonomah* on Friday was somewhat slow, but this was accounted for by the fact that it was the first time the same crews had worked the guns in actual practice. The shutters, or port stoppers, were evidently very much in the way of the men in loading the guns, and it certainly appears that, with the quick available means of turning away from the enemy the port's face of the turret when loading, they might be altogether done away with. The revolving of the turret by steam power, and the twisting power given to the ship's hull by the reversed action of her twin screws, would always keep the gunports hid from an enemy when the guns are not run out. The port shutters, under these conditions, appear to be superfluous. To pursue still further our friendly attempt at "faultfinding" with a ship that has so deservedly won the admiration of all who have seen her since her arrival on these shores we must refer to the rotation of her turret by steam. There are two faults here. The first is that if any part of the steam gear is damaged the rotation of the turret is stopped and the guns are rendered useless for want of a second available motive power, with which the turrets of the *Miantonomah* are not fitted. The second fault is that the lateral oscillation of the turret is very great when being turned by steam, and must seriously interfere with rapid sighting and discharge of the guns on a small moving object. Our *Royal Sovereign* has four available different means of revolving her turrets, all, however, by manual labor alone, and in revolving they can by means of their greater circle of conical wheels perfectly steady. Other faults that we can manage to find with the *Miantonomah*, in addition to the weakness of the ship as a wooden structure, to which we have formerly alluded, are her defective accommodation as a cruiser in tropical climes and her want of stowage, both caused by the unusual shallowness of the vessel. The *Miantonomah* is too formidable not to be imitated, but we should very possibly build our *Miantonomah* of iron, we should build with a greater depth of hull, and thus attain greater stowage in the hold, and better accommodation for the officers and crew in hot climates. At the same time that we might make these improvements, as we consider them, our ship could be fought offering as small a target to the enemy as the *Miantonomah* by giving her the means of submerging her hull to any required depth on going into action by the admission of water to the wing gussages, &c. As a proof of the want of stowage in the *Miantonomah*, we may mention that no water is carried in her hold. The only stowage she has for water is on the after part of the men's berth deck, where there are iron tanks with a collective capacity of 6,000 gallons. At sea the supply of water is dependent on the condensers. There are numerous mechanical "notions" in the fittings of the ship, on deck and below, that are well worthy of attention. The manner in which her turrets have been put together also deserves admiration. The one 1-10th-inch plates are fixed up together in a circular wall in a manner quite equal to a rolled solid plate of moderate quality, and very superior to any rolled plate that has been but imperfectly welded. In fact, the turrets of the *Miantonomah* have been welded throughout their ten separate layers by mechanical means alone, and without subjecting the iron to the renewed action of the furnace and the rolling mill, to, as nearly as possible, a continuity of cohesion equal to that of the best solid or rolled armor in this country.

It may not be out of place here, and especially as connected with the power of firing *en ricochet*, as so forcibly illustrated by the guns of the *Miantonomah* on Friday, to notice how far our French neighbors have gone in the matter of guns for their iron-clad fleets. In the Corps Legislatif on the 20th of June M. DUPUY DE LOME, Director of Material of the Imperial Navy, stated that three models had been selected for the armament of the Navy of France, as follows: First-class—Diameter, 24 centimetres; weight, 14,000 kilogrammes. Throws steel elongated bolts of 144 kilogrammes, as also shells and round shot. Second-class—Diameter, 19 centimetres; weight, 8,000 kilogrammes. Throws steel elongated bolts of 75 kilogrammes, ditto shells of 52 kilogrammes, ditto round shot of 25 kilogrammes. Third-class—Diameter, 16 centimetres; weight, 5,000 kilogrammes. Throws steel elongated bolts of 65 kilogrammes, ditto shells of 31½ kilogrammes, ditto round shot of 15 kilogrammes. M. DUPUY DE LOME also said there was another class of gun, on the same principle, that was 27 centimetres in diameter, but would be too large for service on board, and would, therefore, be reserved for the armament of seacoast batteries. All the pieces averaged a range of about six kilometres. There is this remarkable feature about the guns with these selected for the armament of the French navy—all fire round as well as elongated shot, and all, therefore, are capable of delivering a fire *en ricochet*.

The American paddle steamer *Augusta*, Capt. A. MURRAY, remains at Spithead until about the 6th inst.

THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH.

The Voyage of the Great Eastern to Sheerness—Admirable Working of her Engines—Her Extraordinary Depth in the Water.

Correspondence of the London Times.

GREAT EASTERN, OFF THE NORE, Saturday, June 30, 1866.

The first short length of the *Great Eastern's* eventful voyage has already been made. The worst of the two great perils of the river shoals are passed, and she now lies safe at anchor here in ten fathoms water, and some twelve miles below the moorings which she dropped this morning at Sheerness. To-morrow, at midday, she has a still more shallow and intricate course to wind down the Alexandra Channel, and to do this at half-speed will occupy her at least three hours. That bar once passed, her route to the ocean will lie open and safe before her.

The start from Sheerness this morning was fixed for 12, and at 12 to the very instant the *Great Eastern* was under way. There was no hurry, bustle, noise, or excitement of any kind in getting her off; indeed, with such quiet promptitude was everything effected, that the great ship was actually some minutes under steam before the majority of those on board knew she had left the moorings which have held her so safely through one of the most boisterous winters that have been known in the Medway for years. The two "Trotmans" which have now been down nearly a year, and each with its full scope of chain out, were not got in without considerable difficulty, for those anchors bite hard and deep into the earth. The instant, however, that they were fairly up the word was passed, and at half-speed, and feeling her way cautiously among the patches of shallow banks, the great ship began her voyage to this anchorage. Mr. BROOKMAN, R. N., a master in the navy, and who is specially charged with the responsibility of taking the largest ships of war down the Medway, was on the bridge as pilot, and with him also were Capt. MORIARTY, R. N. who has sailed in all the five Atlantic Telegraph expeditions that have ever started, and with him Capt. HESKETH-SON and Mr. HALPIN, his chief officer. As we have said, at once when the signal was given the ship slipped easily away. The men on board the vessels laid up in ordinary turned out to cheer her as she very slowly felt her way between them, and the whole crew of the guardship *Powerful* swarmed into the rigging, and gave such rousing cheers as might have been heard at Chatham itself. A few yachts followed in the wake, conspicuous among them for speed and beauty being those belonging to Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. PENDER, and Mr. BARCLAY. These, with the two powerful steamtugs in attendance on the *Great Eastern*, formed the whole escort of one of the most important and best-manned electrical expeditions that ever left England. The *Albany*, the *William Corry*, and the *Medway*, which are hereafter to accompany her across the Atlantic, will not now leave for a day or two, though the whole squadron will rendezvous for some short time at Berehaven.

In the short run down to this place, the newly-repaired engines of the *Great Eastern* worked to perfection. During the past Winter, Mr. BECKWITH, her Chief Engineer, has been incessant in his labors toward getting them into perfect trim. All the boilers have been strengthened, their weak parts removed and replaced by new plates. The flues, fire-bar grating and funnels have been carefully cleaned, and the effect of these improvements, with the change from the foul to the cleanly condition of the ship's hull, was at once apparent in the increased speed of the ship. Though the engines only 15 pounds steam in the paddle boilers, and little over 12 pounds in the screw, a speed of seven knots was soon gained, and this when the paddles were only turning 6½ times per minute and the screw less than 17. With a much higher pressure of steam, and greater rapidity of revolutions, the ship's speed was not so much as five knots an hour were made. This time it is clear that from 8½ to 9 knots are easily within the capabilities of the great ship, though she is deeper in the water than she has ever before been on venturing to sea. Her trim at present is rather calculated to diminish her rate of progress, for the present exigencies of stowage have brought her down rather too much by the head. She has above 4,000 tons more dead weight in her than last year, and her mean draught is within an inch or so of 32 feet—a deeper laden vessel than till this day has ever passed down the Thames.

Such an extraordinary depth has been a matter of great anxiety to those interested in the success of the expedition, for the few channels to the Thames mouth from Sheerness are almost as narrow as they are winding and shallow. The course was last year taken by the Bullock Channel, which was specially buoyed for the purpose by the Trinity House. This time, however, from some unknown cause, the buoys have been removed, and the only safe route to the ocean open to the Great Eastern was by that part of the river known as the Ooze Deep, and of the Ooze Bank, and thence by the Alexandra Channel and Princess's Channel into the Downs. The first-mentioned part of the distance—that is to say to near the entrance of the Alexandra Channel—has been accomplished to-day with safety, though only by taking the most extraordinary precautions. The lead was kept going and some boats were kept ahead of her, for there were patches of shoal to be crossed over which it was certain that more than three feet of water could not be got beneath her keel, and there were even some where little more than a foot was to be expected. Of these latter, fortunately, there were only one or two, about an acre in extent each, but other of 6 feet quite sufficient to put a sudden and violent termination to the *Great Eastern's* career, and probably, also, to the progress of Atlantic telegraphy for some years to come. These small but dangerous little submarine excrescences are known among the fishermen by the name of the Nore Breaks, as the *Great Eastern* neared them to-day the turgid muddy water which slapped above them in a dirty foam showed that the tide was still too low upon their banks for any effort which a vessel so deeply laden as the *Great Eastern* could make to cross them. Her paddles were accordingly reversed, and in little more than 35 feet of water the ship was brought to a dead standstill. Nothing could more strongly illustrate the value of the magnificent vessel for telegraphic purposes than this little incident. In a space not much larger than that in which she herself floated, she was kept by the occasional use of screw and paddles on exactly the spot where she had stopped, with as little change in her position as if she had been moored there, and this, too, against a strong flood tide. It was not until the flood had risen to its utmost that an outward movement was made again, and the *Great Eastern* was slowly propelled again across a patch of shoals nearly a quarter of a mile long, in crossing which she had only eighteen inches of water under her. For a few minutes it was an anxious time for those in charge, but at almost every instant the monotonous cry from the leadsmen in the chains showed that the water was rapidly deepening, and there was a universal sensation of relief when all at last reported no bottom at thirteen fathoms. From this point out to her present moorings, therefore, her little run was easily and safely made, and soon after 3 she brought up, as we have said, near the Mouse-light. To-morrow the course will be taken through the Princess Alexandra's channel. This short route toward the Downs, which has been long known and long used by the local boats, has never been carefully surveyed until within the last few years. The first vessels of importance which passed up it were those which conveyed the Princess ALEXANDRA to England. In passing down this, however, the *Great Eastern* will have to be even more carefully managed, if possible, than she was to-day, for there are many little patches of shoals which will leave as little as a foot of water under her. The tide of to-morrow, fortunately, will be higher than that of to-day. At 12 noon she makes her start, and once this, the worst part of the Channel, is passed, proceeds at full speed by the Girdler Sands, and so on down the Channel and round to Berehaven. The whole of the electrical, nautical, engineering and mechanical staff are now on board. Mr. LAWS, who is to have a command in the Department of Electrical Engineering, with Mr. WILLOUGHBY SMITH, are on board, and have been testing the cable almost every hour. Its action and clearness of signaling is absolutely as perfect as it is possible for so delicate and powerful an insulated wire of such length ever to be. The most ingenious dynamometer, invented by Mr. FLEMING JENKIN, arrived on board this afternoon. This admirable contrivance is automatic in its action. The weight of strain to be fixed upon the cable, either in paying out or hauling in, when once agreed upon by the engineers can never be exceeded. Thus, for instance, if the paying-out strain should pass the limit of three tons, the cable will run of itself; and vice versa, if in hauling it the strain should reach six tons, the machine will simply reverse itself, and, instead of pulling up, let down the wire. Among the many improvements that are to be tried in working the wire when laid, is Capt. BOLTON's new system of codified signals, by means of which a single numeral often represents a whole sentence,